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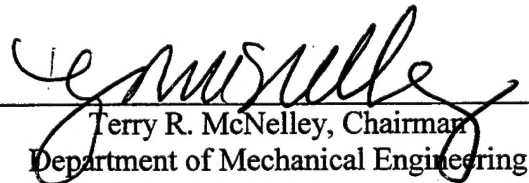
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I. INTRODUCTION

The United States Military Sealift Command desires the capability to conduct roll-on, roll-off (RORO) operations in the open ocean. In order to achieve this goal, RORO operations must be able to be performed during Sea State Three. During RORO operations, the offloading vessel is connected to a roll-on, roll-off discharge facility (RRDF) by the vessel's stern ramp. The latest version of such vessels is termed "large, medium speed, roll-on, roll-off" (LMSR), whereas older versions are termed by their particular class, such as "Cape H" or "Cape T". Each of these vessels has a uniquely designed stern ramp.

The limiting condition when conducting RORO operations is the stress induced in the stern ramp due to loading and twist. The stern ramp must have the capability to support two tanks located near its middle while undergoing the twist due to relative motion between the RORO vessel and the RRDF. Because existing stern ramp designs lack adequate structural integrity during Sea State Three RORO operations, modifications must be made to existing RORO equipment to reduce the stress levels in the ramps. One possible method is to employ passive isolation between the stern ramp and the RRDF as a means of reducing ramp stress levels.

A coupled hydro-structural simulation model of the combined ship-ramp-RRDF is under development in order to evaluate candidate isolator technologies. A thorough study of the LMSR, Cape H, and Cape T stern ramp finite element models is necessary in order to ascertain the suitability of these models for use in the simulation model. Additionally, an experimental facility is being developed to simulate, at model scale, wave-induced static and dynamic response of the ramp. Finite element models of the

major components of the experimental facility, specifically the model-scale ramp and its support, have been developed. Correlation of these finite element models with the physical structures must be accomplished for model validation. Experimental modal testing of the model-scale ramp and its support is necessary to update the finite element models.

II. FULL-SCALE RAMP FINITE ELEMENT MODELS

Three finite element models were provided to the Naval Postgraduate School for analysis. Two of the models, the LMSR and Cape H stern ramps, were translated from ANSYS format for use with MSC/NASTRAN. The Cape T stern ramp model was delivered in MSC/NASTRAN format. The Cape H and Cape T models were constructed using metric units whereas the LMSR model was constructed in English units. All results are provided in English units.

Each stern ramp design consists of two sections. Section-One connects to the stern of the RORO vessel for deployment onto the RRDF for RORO operations. Section-Two is connected to Section-One by two, five or eight hinge joints depending on the design, and rests on the RRDF when deployed for RORO operations. Section-Two is designed to be the more flexible portion of the ramp to minimize torsional stresses in the ramp created by the relative motions between the RORO vessel and the RRDF.

A. LARGE, MEDIUM SPEED, ROLL-ON, ROLL-OFF STERN RAMP

Table 1 lists the physical dimensions and material properties of the LMSR ramp.

Length	113.9 ft
Width	24 ft
Weight	105.5 tons
Elastic Modulus	30,000 ksi
Material	Mild steel

Table 1. LMSR Stern Ramp Characteristics

Figure 1 displays the LMSR stern ramp finite element model. Two hinges connect Sections-One and Two allowing for a more flexible coupling than exists in the Cape H or Cape T stern ramp designs.

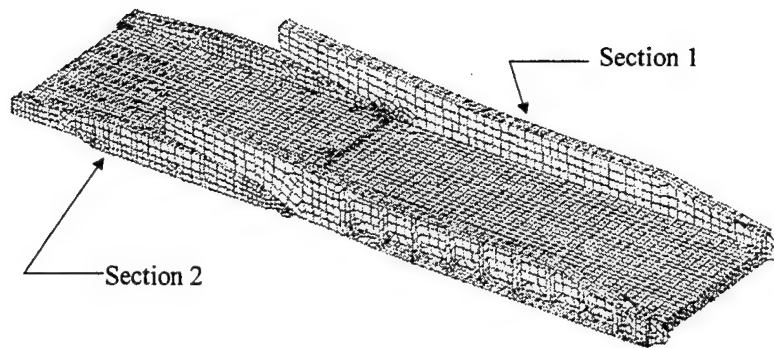


Figure 1. LMSR Stern Ramp Finite Element Model

Five separate boundary condition cases were used for computational modal analysis of the LMSR stern ramp and comparison with results obtained previously from the Cape T stern ramp. Figure 2 displays the grid point locations restrained for each boundary condition case, two each for the ship and RRDF ends and Figures 3 through 7 show the restrained degrees of freedom (DOF) for boundary condition cases one through five.

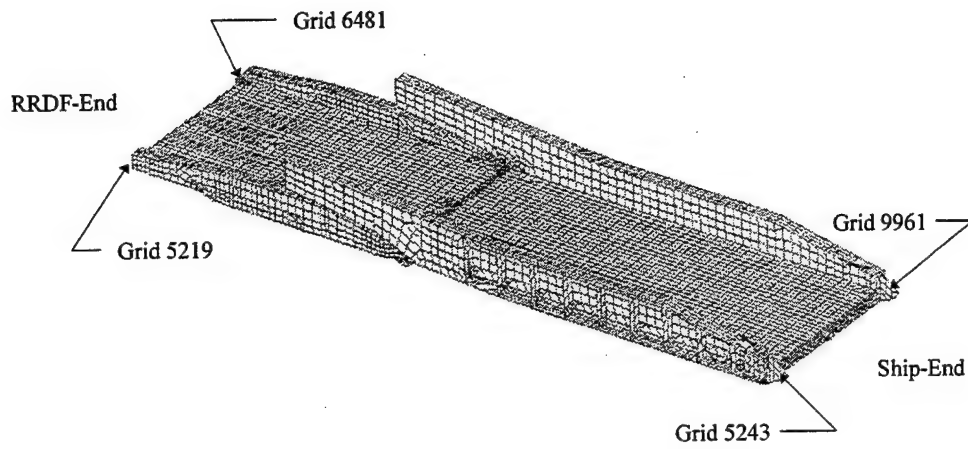


Figure 2. LMSR Boundary Condition Grid Locations

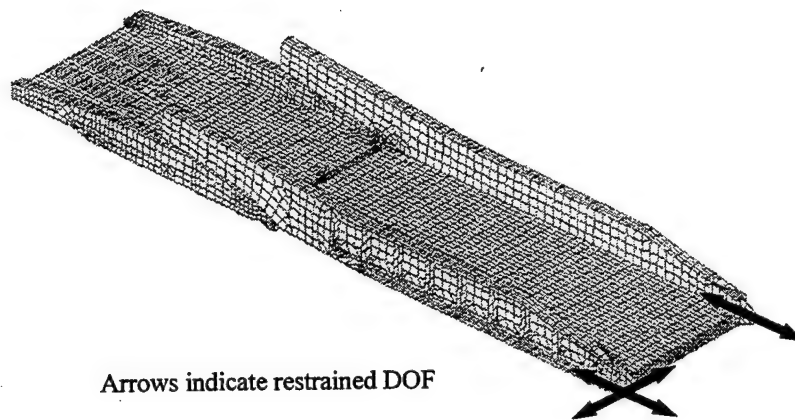


Figure 3. LMSR Boundary Condition Case 1

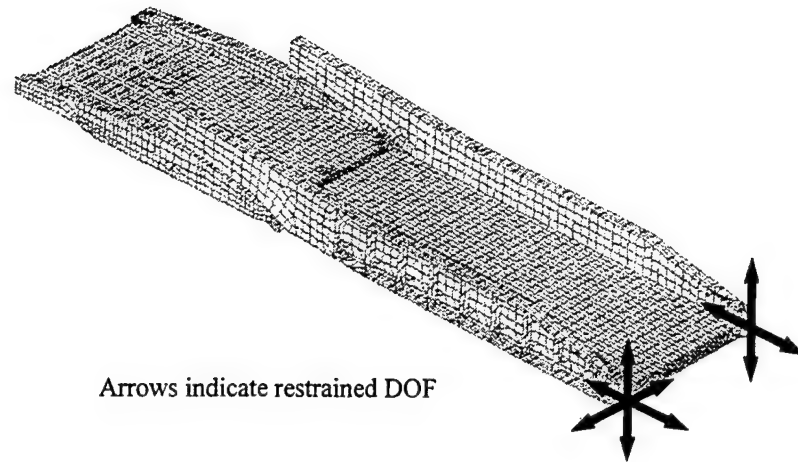


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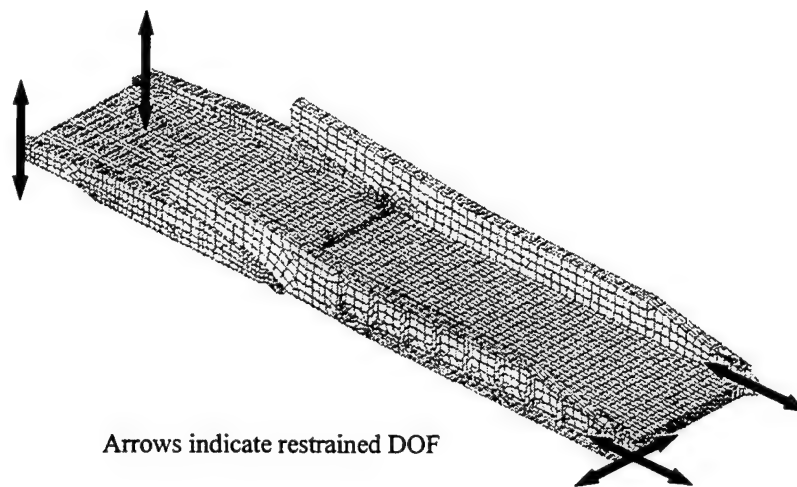


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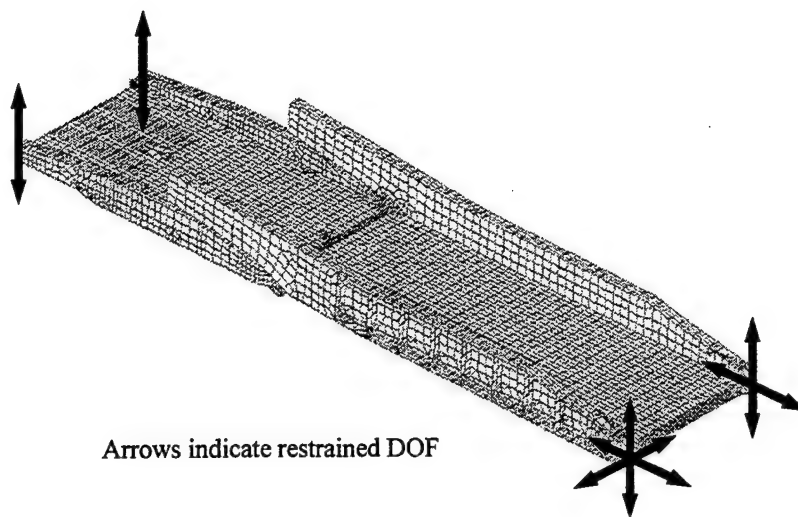


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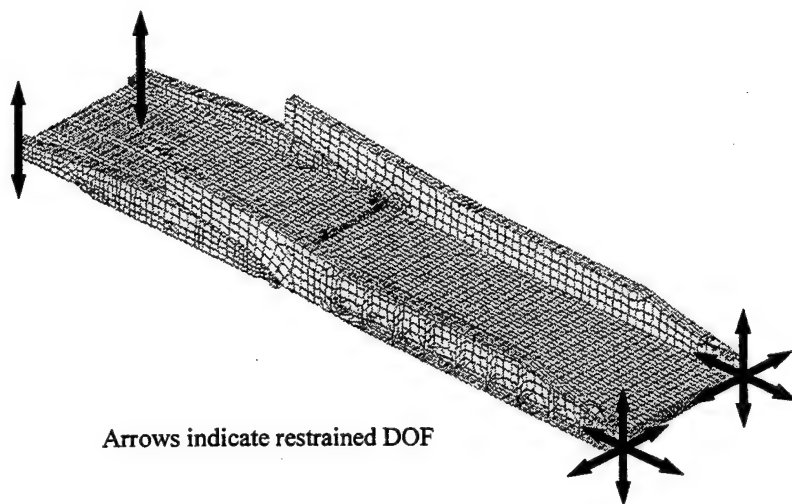


Figure 7. LMSR Boundary Condition Case 5

Case five boundary conditions, shown in Figure 7, were used for all linear static computational analyses of the LMSR stern ramp.

Some modifications were required to be made to the “as delivered” LMSR stern ramp finite element model. The model was originally constructed for the ANSYS finite element software and was translated to MSC/NASTRAN for use at the Naval Postgraduate School. The translation processor was unable to translate an ANSYS element type, MATRIX 27. There were 16 such elements used in the ANSYS version of the LMSR model. These elements modeled a buttressing device used to lock the ramp in the deployed position for RORO operations. The MSC/NASTRAN element type CELAS1 was used to replace the ANSYS MATRIX 27 element and were added to the model. Table 2 contains the grid connection points for the new MSC/NASTRAN elements.

Element Type	Upper Grid	Lower Grid
CELAS1	9101	6786
CELAS1	9106	6787
CELAS1	9107	6788
CELAS1	9105	6782
CELAS1	9126	6799
CELAS1	9131	6800
CELAS1	9129	6801
CELAS1	9127	6798
CELAS1	5336	2320
CELAS1	5338	2325
CELAS1	5337	2324
CELAS1	5332	1809
CELAS1	5358	2332
CELAS1	5360	2334
CELAS1	5362	2333
CELAS1	5357	1852

Table 2. LMSR Stern Ramp Buttressing Device Grid Connection Points

Each CELAS1 element acts in the vertical direction with a stiffness of 24,000,000 lbf/in. Another modification was the construction of lumped mass and rigid element tank models to predict the natural frequencies of a fully loaded (two tanks) LMSR stern ramp. These tank representations were constructed similarly to those that were delivered with the Cape T stern ramp finite element model. Each tank model represented 80.6 tons added mass for a two-tank total of 161.2 tons. The lumped mass and rigid element tank representations were only used with the normal modes analysis of the LMSR stern ramp.

B. CAPE T STERN RAMP

Table 3 lists the physical dimensions and material properties of the Cape T stern ramp.

Length	101.6 ft
Width	25.4 ft
Weight	116.5 tons
Elastic Modulus	30,400 ksi
Material	Mild steel

Table 3. Cape T Stern Ramp Characteristics

Figure 8 displays the Cape T stern ramp finite element model. The Cape T stern ramp differs from the LMSR and Cape H stern ramps in that the buttressing device is modeled engaged in the deployed position. Five hinges are used to connect Sections One and Two. This results in a somewhat stiffer connection and greater potential to induce torsion stresses in section one due to relative motion between the RRDF and RORO vessel.

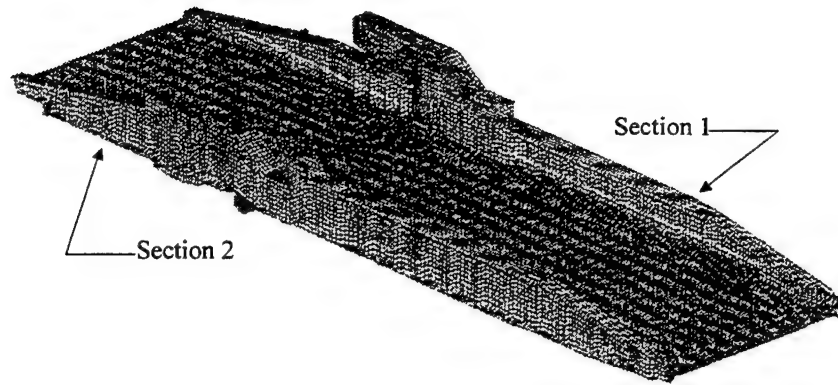


Figure 8. Cape T Stern Ramp Finite Element Model

Figure 9 indicates boundary condition grid locations and Figure 10 displays the restrained DOF used for linear static computational analyses of the Cape T stern ramp model.

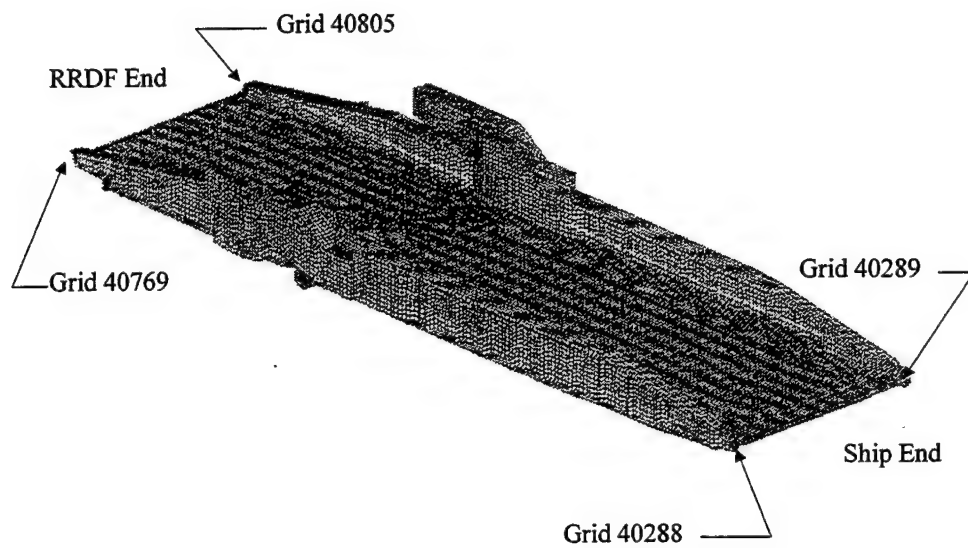


Figure 9. Cape T Boundary Condition Grid Locations

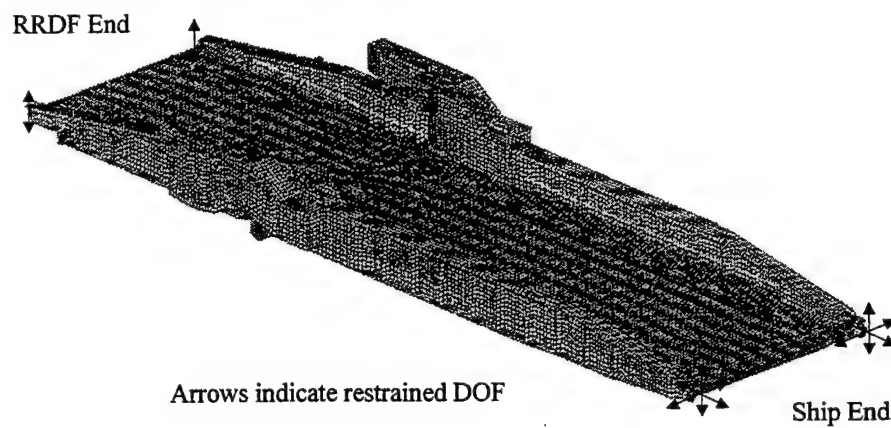


Figure 10. Cape T Boundary Conditions

C. CAPE H STERN RAMP

Table 4 lists the physical dimensions and material properties of the Cape H stern ramp.

Length	143.8 ft
Width RRDF End	44.5 ft
Width Ship End	76.9 ft
Weight	272.9 tons
Elastic Modulus	30,000 ksi
Material	Mild steel

Table 4. Cape H Stern Ramp Characteristics

Figure 11 displays the Cape H stern ramp finite element model. Eight hinges connect

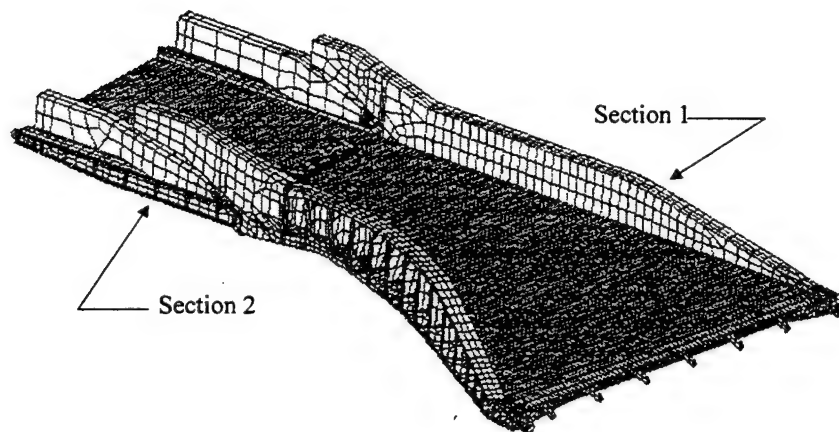


Figure 11. Cape H Stern Ramp Finite Element Model

Sections-One and Two, again this should result in a stiffer coupling than the two-hinge LMSR stern ramp design. The Cape H stern ramp is an asymmetric design unlike both the Cape T and LMSR designs. Also of note are the “split” arms that control the position of Section-Two during operation of the ramp. The split design was necessary

to lower the stowed height of the ramp to allow the Cape H vessel more overhead clearance. The Cape H ramp design has over twice the mass of the other stern ramp designs examined.

The Cape H finite element model provided to the Naval Postgraduate School was an MSC/NASTRAN translation of an ANSYS model. As was the case with the LMSR stern ramp, the MATRIX 27 elements were not converted to MSC/NASTRAN format. CELAS 1 elements were used to replace the MATRIX 27 elements in the MSC/NASTRAN version of the Cape H stern ramp model. Each element acts in the vertical direction only with a stiffness of 97,000,000 lbf/in

Element Type	Upper Grid	Lower Grid
CELAS1	15487	15693
CELAS1	15488	15692
CELAS1	19552	15694
CELAS1	14619	14695
CELAS1	14623	14700
CELAS1	14622	14699
CELAS1	14621	14698
CELAS1	15631	204
CELAS1	14657	16982
CELAS1	20215	20144
CELAS1	20218	20147
CELAS1	20263	20357
CELAS1	20286	20328

Table 5. Cape H Stern Ramp Buttrressing Device Grid Connection Points

Figure 12 indicates the boundary condition grid locations and Figure 13 shows the restrained degrees of freedom (DOF) used during the linear static computational analyses of the Cape H stern ramp model.

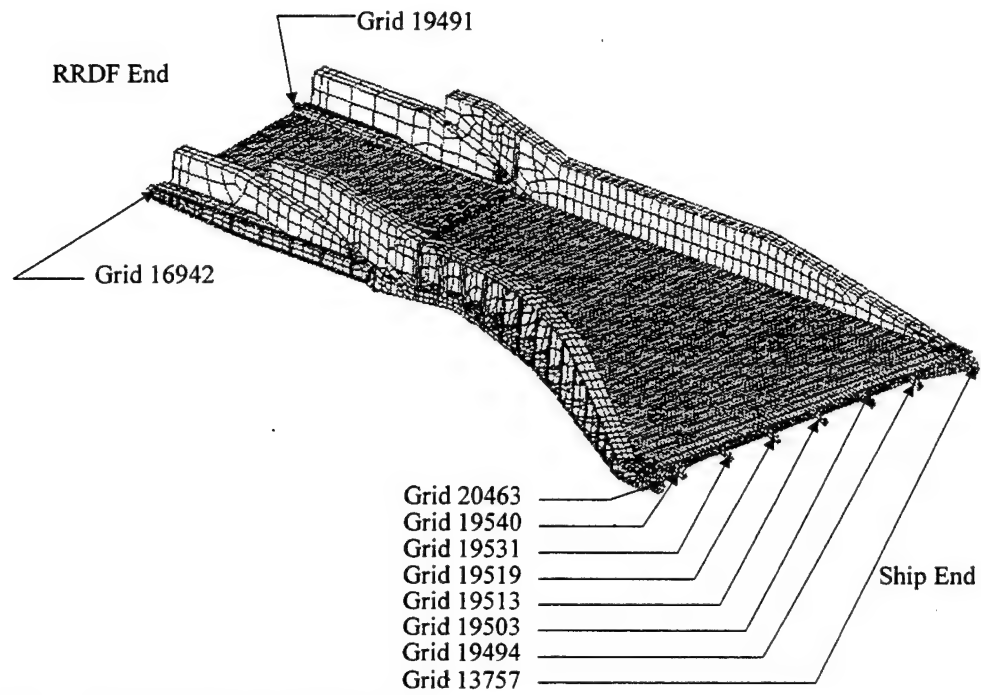


Figure 12. Cape H Boundary Conditions

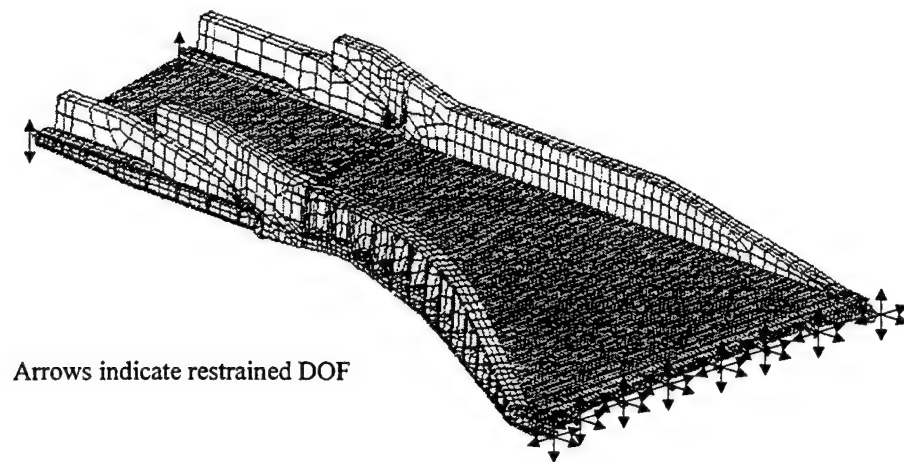


Figure 13. Cape H Boundary Condition Grid Locations

III. MODEL-SCALE RAMP AND SUPPORT FINITE ELEMENT MODELS

The ability to experimentally measure the response characteristics of a ramp with an installed isolator is necessary to ensure the validity of computer models used to predict such responses. Ideally, this would be accomplished on a full-scale ramp. However, a model-scale test facility that exhibits the same response characteristics as a full-scale ramp is better due to ease and reduced cost of experimentation. Through the use of a model-scale facility, many variations of isolator types may be rapidly evaluated and used to update computer simulation models. A computer simulation model that accurately predicts measured behavior at model-scale can easily be adapted to predict response of full-scale ramps with confidence. Figures 14 and 15 show the model-scale ramp and support.

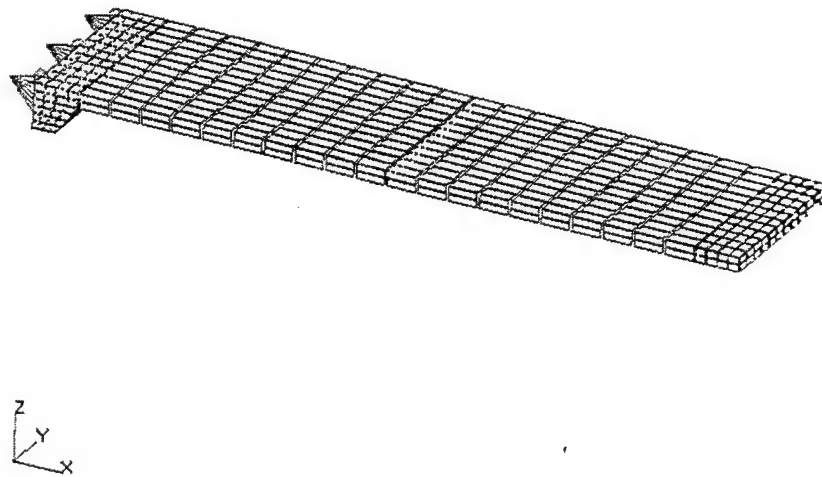


Figure 14. Model-Scale Ramp

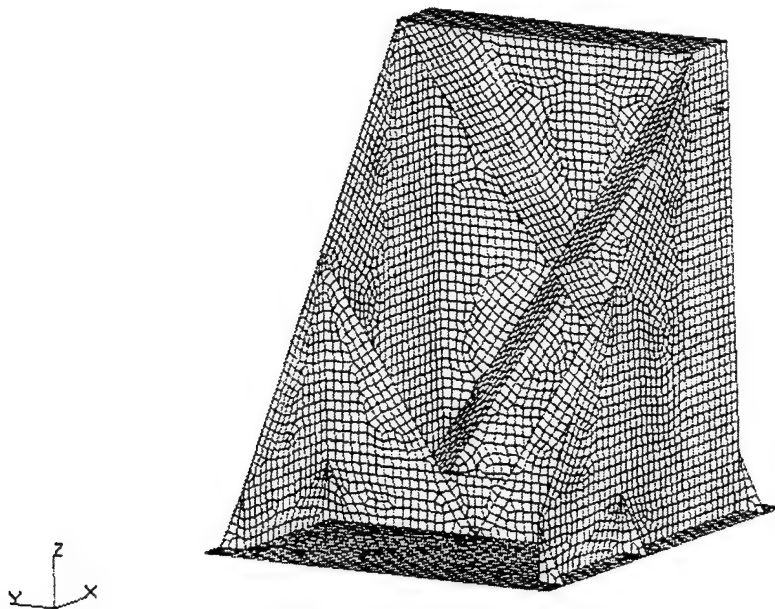


Figure 15. Model-Scale Ramp Support

A. MODEL-SCALE RAMP

MSC/NASTRAN was used to construct a finite element model of the model-scale ramp. The scale-ramp model was designed to have the same aspect ratio and RORO response characteristics as the full-scale Cape T stern ramp. This model was used as a basis for construction of the model-scale ramp to be used with the experimental test facility. Due to requirements for construction and assembly of the model-scale ramp, some minor deviations from the finite element model design were necessary. The model-scale ramp finite element model was updated to reflect these design deviations.

B. MODEL-SCALE RAMP SUPPORT

MSC/NASTRAN was used to construct a finite element model of the model-scale ramp support. This support was designed to minimize excitation of the

experimental test ramp during simulation of RORO operation. Following construction and testing of the scale-ramp support, the model was updated. Specifically, the support was raised above the deck by quarter inch steel shims under the mounting bolts to ease the determination and modeling of boundary conditions. Furthermore, due to inconsistencies in the welded joints of the support, including gaps in welds, the model was updated to reflect these weld gaps.

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IV. RESULTS

A. COMPUTATIONAL MODAL ANALYSIS

1. Large, Medium Speed, Roll-On, Roll-Off, Vessel Stern Ramp

The natural frequencies and mode shapes for all modes below ten hertz were determined using MSC/NASTRAN solution 103. Several boundary condition cases were examined to determine the boundary condition effect on the LMSR stern ramp finite element model's (FEM) natural frequency and mode shape response and to compare with results previously obtained from the Cape T stern ramp. Table 6 contains a natural frequency summary of the five boundary condition cases analyzed.

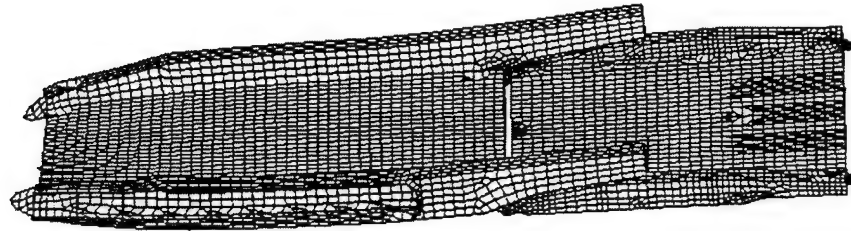
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2	0.00	1.35	1.37	2.53	2.60
3	0.00	2.99	3.04	3.15	3.38
4	2.99	4.13	3.40	6.84	6.85
5	4.25	6.85	5.63	9.32	
6	6.21	8.53	8.80		
7	7.89	9.88	9.36		
8	9.66				
9	9.94				

Table 6. LMSR Boundary Condition Natural Frequency Summary (Hz)

A mode where the natural frequency listed is zero indicates a rigid body mode. Rigid body motion will occur if the structure has fewer than six restraints. Rigid body motion of the LMSR stern ramp will not occur during RORO operation because case 4 and case 5 boundary conditions are used to restrain the stern ramp. PATRAN was used to create Figures 16 through 30 displaying the first three elastic modes.

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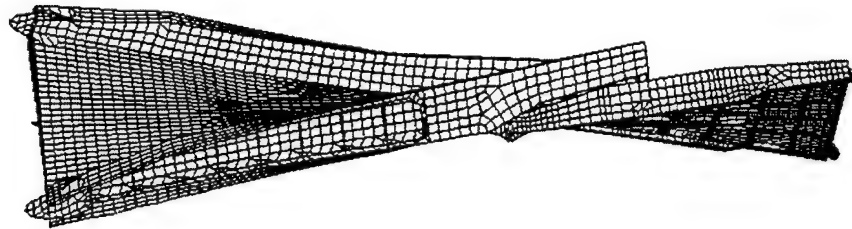


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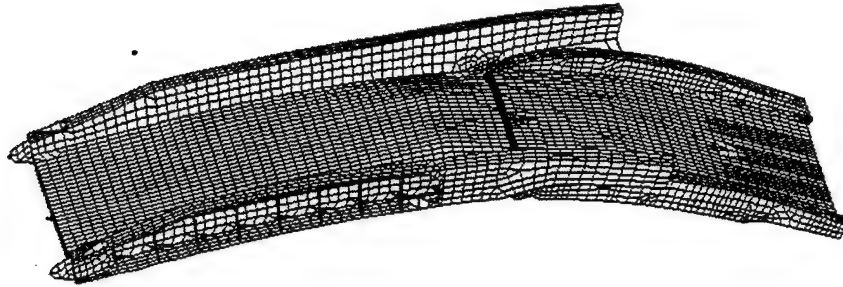


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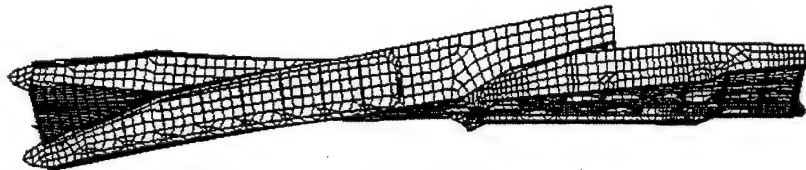


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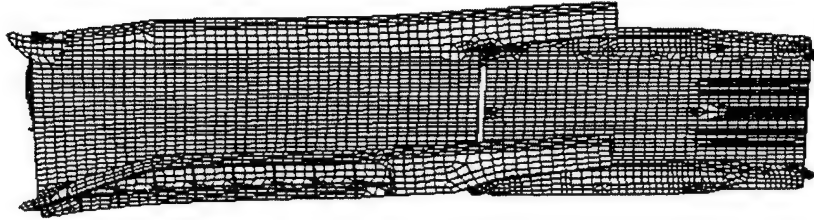
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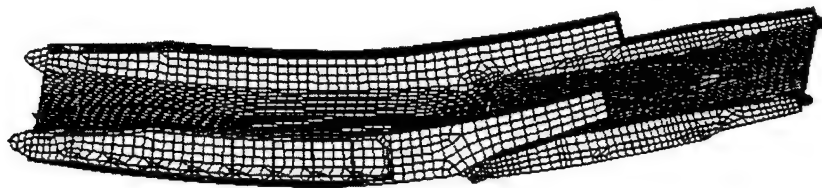
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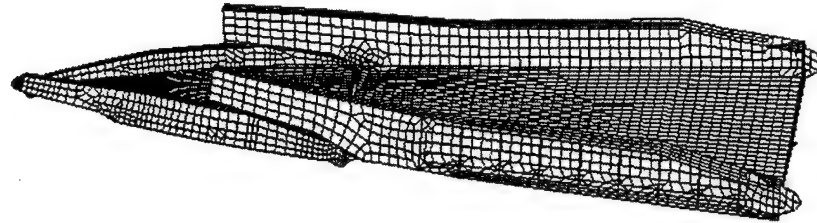


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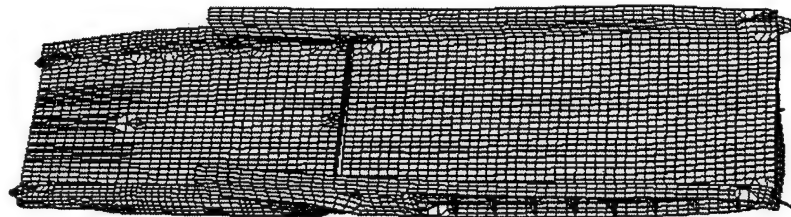


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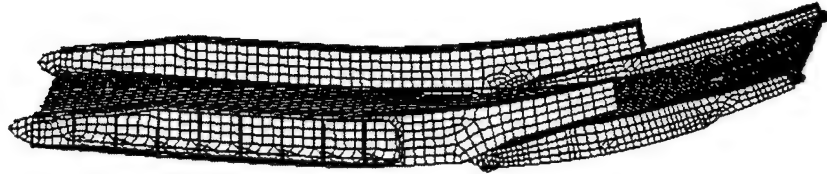
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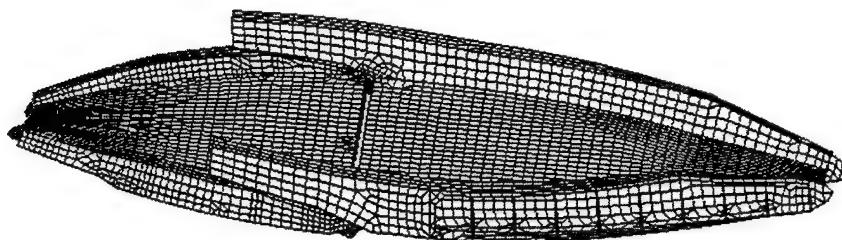


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Figure 25. LMSR, Boundary Condition Case 4, Mode 1, Bending

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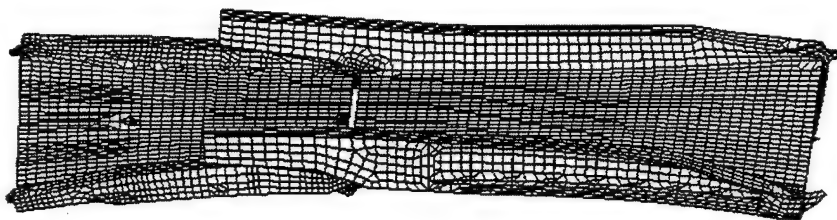


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Figure 26. LMSR, Boundary Condition Case 4, Mode 2, Torsion

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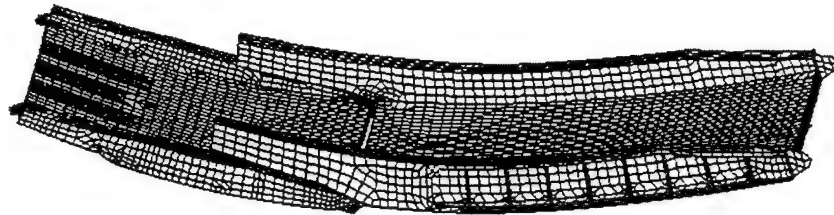
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Figure 27. LMSR, Boundary Condition Case 4, Mode 3, Yaw-Torsion

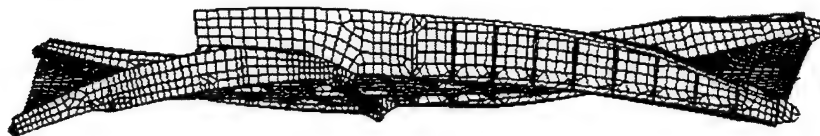
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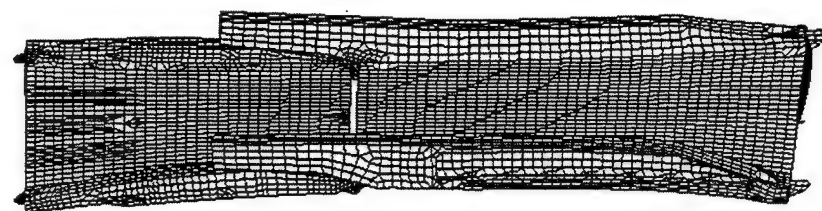
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Figure 29. LMSR, Boundary Condition Case 5, Mode 2, Torsion



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Figure 30. LMSR, Boundary Condition Case 5, Mode 3, Yaw-Torsion

The mode shapes for each boundary condition case were: bending; torsion; and yaw-torsion. The bending and torsion shapes were expected. The yaw-torsion mode is due to the restraints on the RRDF end either being not present (cases 1 and 2) or only in the vertical translational direction (cases 3, 4, and 5). Normal modes analysis results from the LMSR stern ramp are consistent with those from a similar analysis of the Cape T stern ramp. A summary mode shape comparison is included in Table 7.

LMSR Stern Ramp					
Mode	Case 1	Case 2	Case 3	Case 4	Case 5
1	Yaw-Torsion	Torsion	Torsion	Bending	Bending
2	Torsion	Yaw-Torsion	Yaw-Torsion	Torsion	Torsion
3	Bending	Bending	Bending	Yaw-Torsion	Yaw-Torsion
Cape T Stern Ramp					
Mode	Case 1	Case 2	Case 3	Case 4	Case 5
1	Yaw-Torsion	Torsion	Torsion	Bending	Bending
2	Torsion	Yaw-Torsion	Yaw-Torsion	Torsion	Torsion
3	Bending	Bending	Bending	Yaw-Torsion	Yaw-Torsion

Table 7. LMSR and Cape T Stern Ramp Mode Shape Comparison

It has been predicted that the sea state three wave induced motion of the RRDF occurs at 0.35 Hz. As was listed in Table 6, the natural frequency for the first elastic mode of the LMSR stern ramp for all boundary conditions considered is well above 0.35 Hz. Therefore, motion of the LMSR stern ramp may be assumed pseudostatic allowing the use of linear static computational methods for determination of ramp stress levels.

2. Model-Scale Stern Ramp

Finite element models were previously constructed of the major components of the experimental model-scale ramp test facility - specifically the model-scale ramp and its support structure. MSC/NASTRAN was used to predict the first four free-free normal modes of the model-scale stern ramp. Figures 31 through 34 show the first four elastic modes for the model-scale stern ramp.

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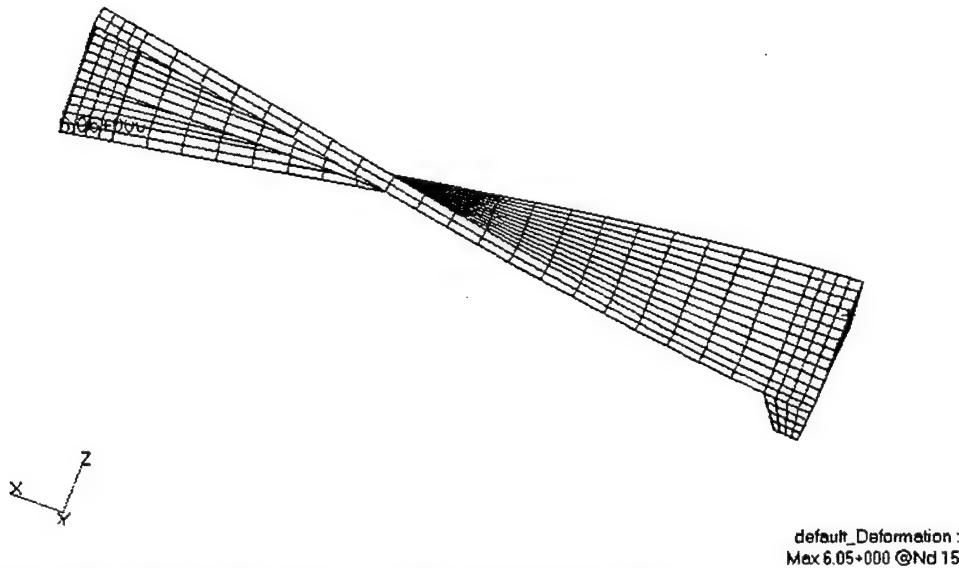
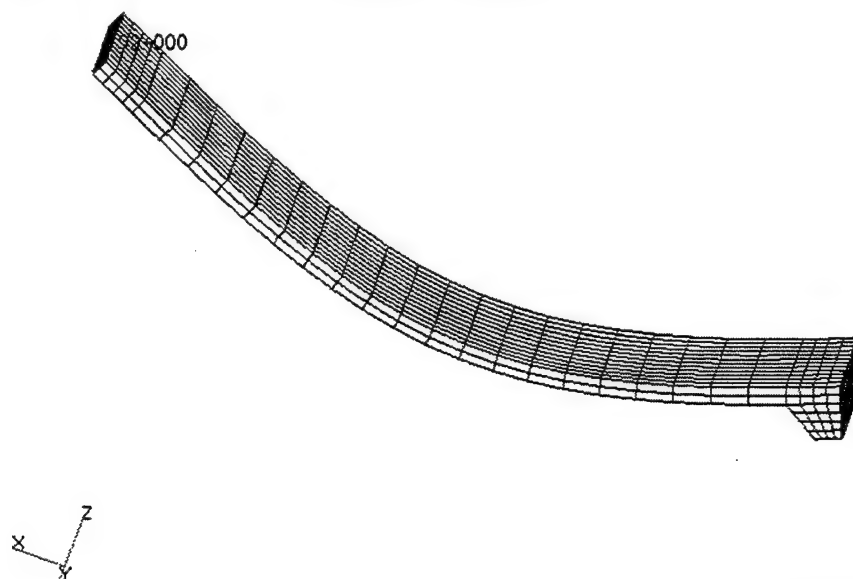


Figure 31. Model Scale Stern Ramp, Mode 1, First Torsion

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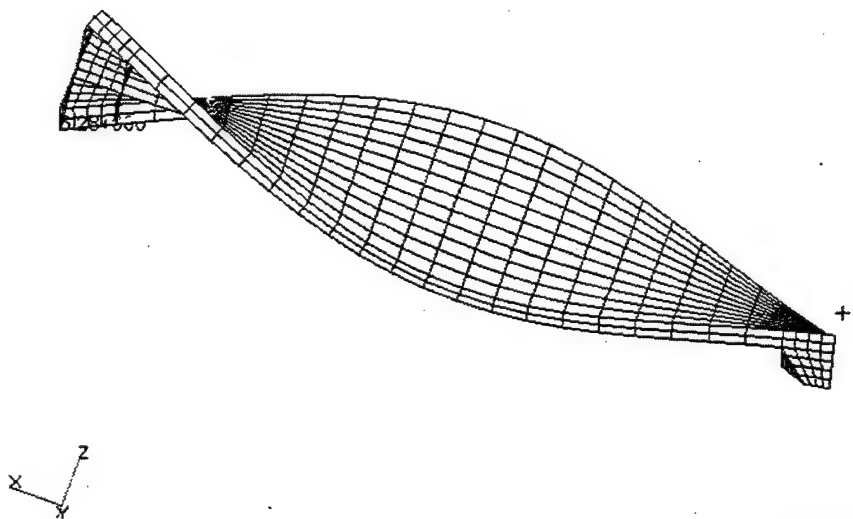


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Figure 33. Model Scale Stern Ramp, Mode 3, Second Torsion

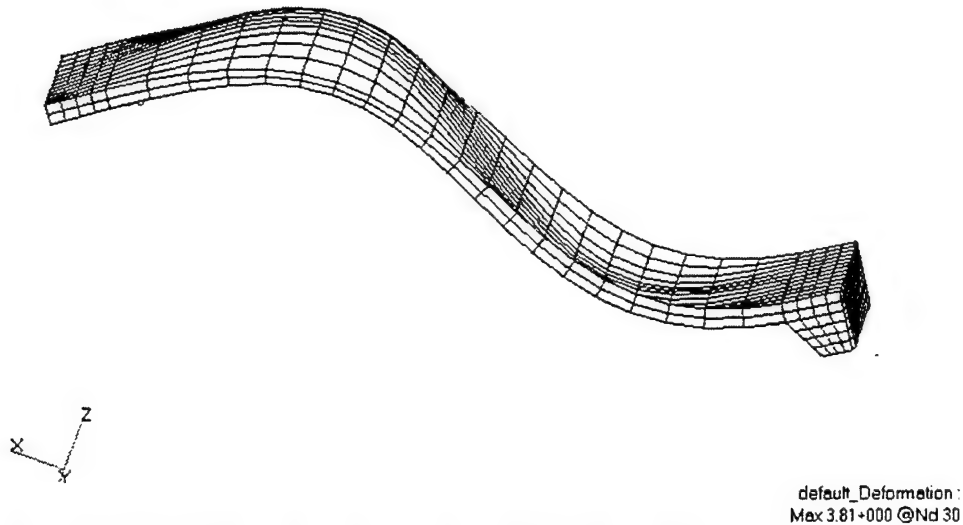


Figure 34. Model Scale Stern Ramp, Mode 4, Second Bending

Some modifications to the finite element model were necessary to accurately reflect the constructed ramp. The first four mode shapes of the model-scale stern ramp correlate with the experimental modal testing of the model-scale stern ramp.

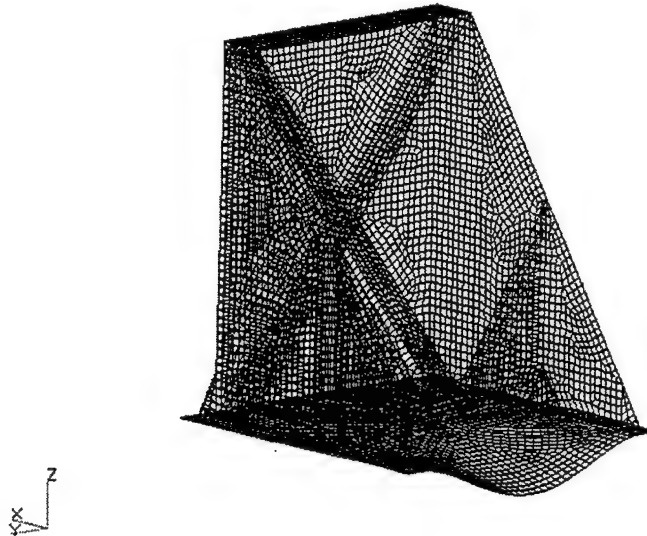
3. Model-Scale Stern Ramp Support

MSC/NASTRAN was used to predict the normal modes of the scale-ramp support structure. The support was analyzed in its mounted condition – six bolts fastened to the deck. The base plate of the support structure was designed to fit flush to the deck, but due to slight bowing of the structure during the fabrication process, the base plate was free to vibrate in the vertical direction. The boundary conditions of the support were set as clamps in the vertical DOF in the regions of the hold down bolts. Figure 35 displays the first vibration mode predicted for the scale-ramp support structure. This mode is

essentially the base plate vibrating in the vertical direction at 51.3 Hz. This mode was correlated with the experimental mode test of the support structure.

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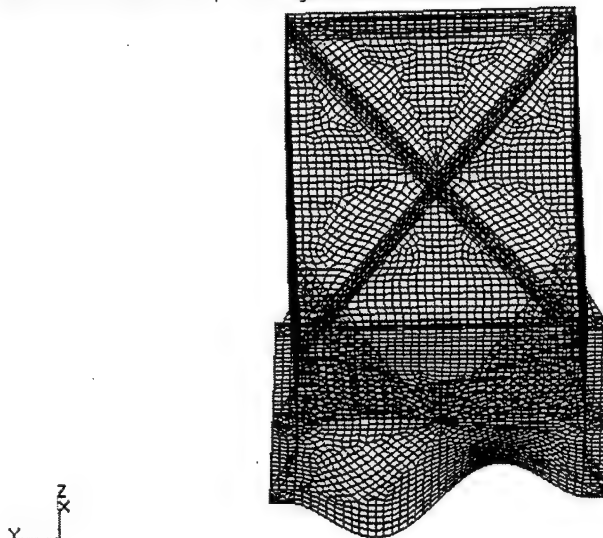


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Figure 35. Model-Scale Ramp Support Structure, Mode 1

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Figure 36. Model-Scale Ramp Support Structure, Mode 7

The only other mode that correlated with the experimental modal testing of the structure was the predicted mode 7, displayed in Figure 36.

Updating the finite element model of the scale-ramp support was approached through several methods. First, the boundary conditions were matched as closely as possible. Second, due to inconsistencies and gaps in the welds of the structure, weld gaps were modeled as an attempt to introduce the asymmetry in the computational modal response that was observed in the vibration test. Third, the mesh of the structure was refined to allow more closely modeling the gaps in the welded joints. This resulted in limited success. The majority of the welds in the structure were right-angled joints between two steel plates. These welds joints were not modeled specifically and thus were not available for updating.

B. COMPUTATIONAL LINEAR STATIC ANALYSIS

Due to the pseudostatic response predicted by normal modes analysis of the LMSR and Cape T stern ramps, linear static analysis was chosen to determine ramp stress levels in each of the three ramp designs (LMSR, Cape T, and Cape H). A thorough study of the stress levels in each ramp under various load condition was necessary to determine the suitability of the particular ramp model for inclusion in the coupled hydro-structural simulation model of the combined ship-ramp-RRDF. A set of load conditions was applied to each ramp design consisting of inertial (gravity) loads and various amounts of twist simulating the wave-induced motion of the RRDF. Additionally, the ramp designs were studied with one and two tank loading configurations as modeled by static pressure loads.

1. Large Medium Speed Roll-On, Roll-Off Vessel Stern Ramp

The LMSR stern ramp analyses were conducted with case 5 boundary conditions (restrained in the three translational DOF at the ship end and the vertical DOF at the RRDF end). Twist angles between the RRDF and ship of zero, one, three, five, and eight degrees were considered. Maximum von Mises stress contour plots were generated with PATRAN and are displayed in Figures 37 through 89.

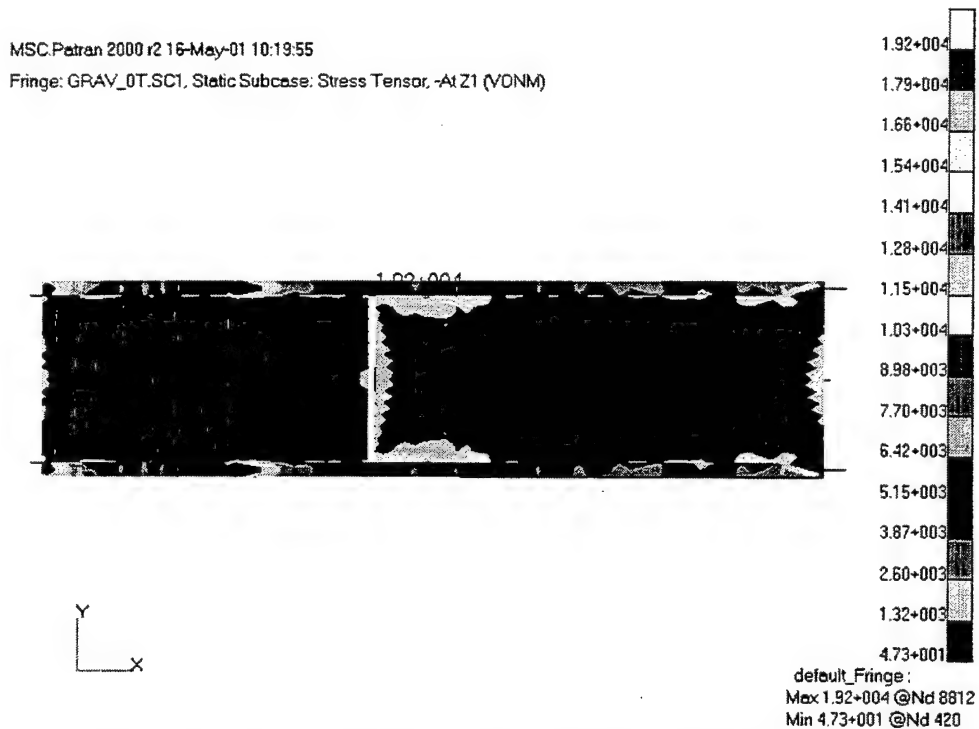
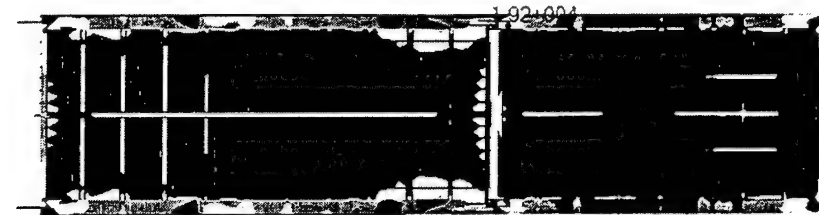


Figure 37. LMSR (top view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 19.2 ksi (Inertia Loading, No Twist, No Tanks)

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Figure 38. LMSR (bottom view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 19.2 ksi
 (Inertia Loading, No Twist, No Tanks)

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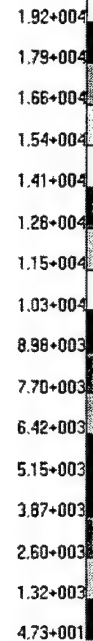


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Figure 39. LMSR (right view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 19.2 ksi
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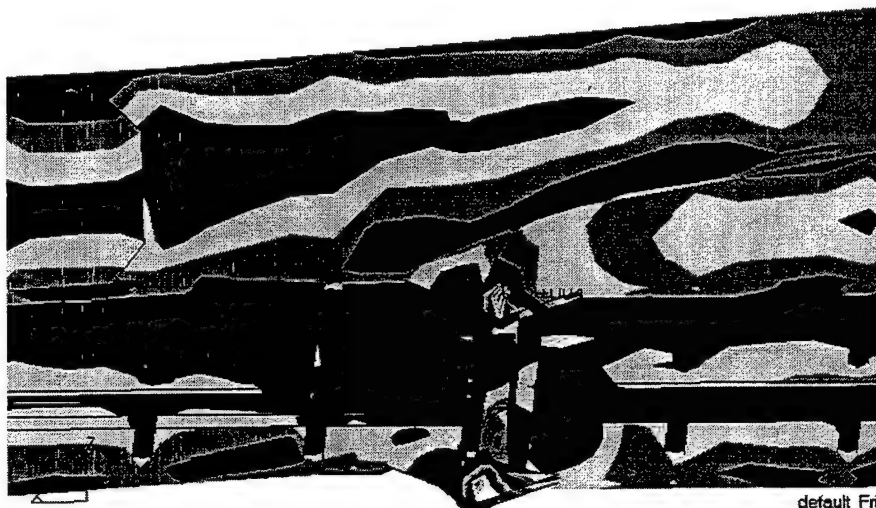


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Figure 40. LMSR (left view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 19.2 ksi
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Figure 41. LMSR (close-up) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 19.2 ksi
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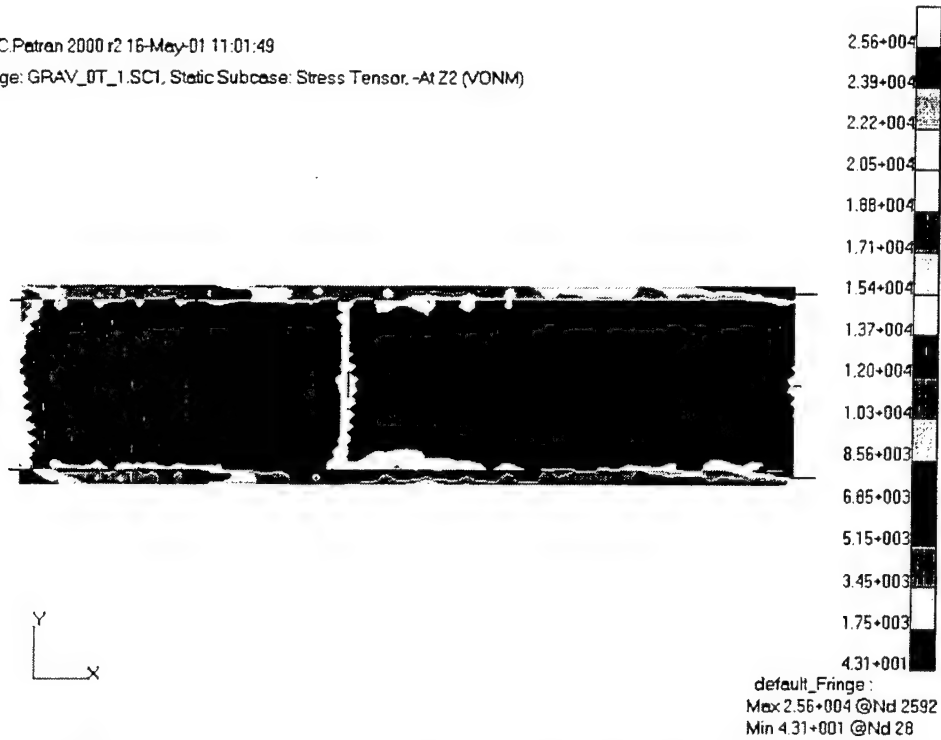


Figure 42. LMSR (top view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 25.6 ksi
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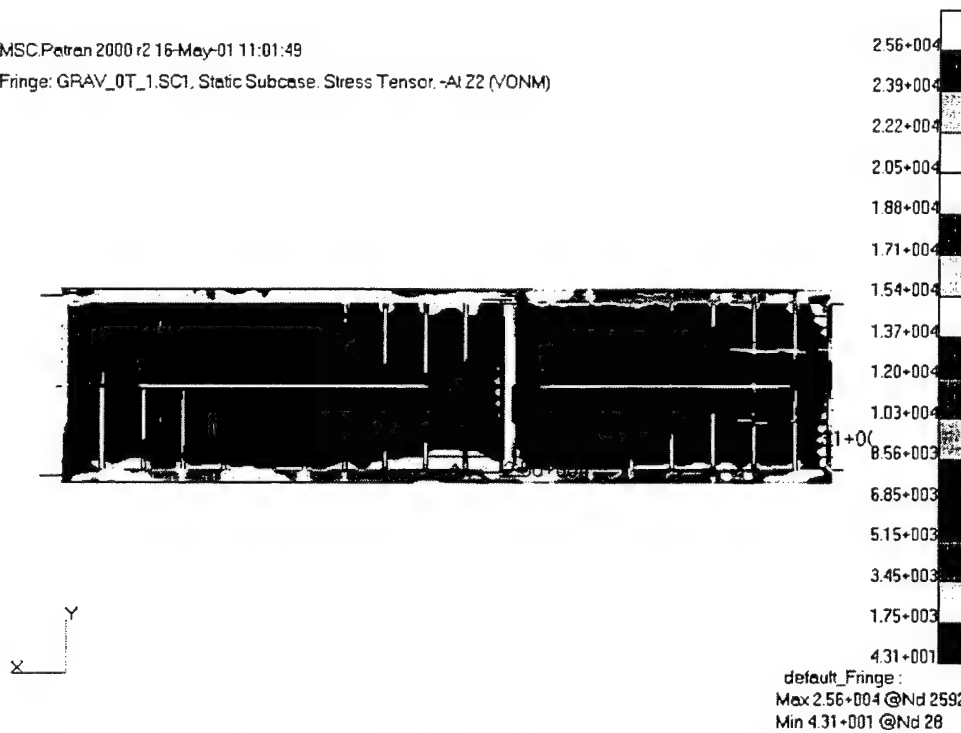


Figure 43. LMSR (bottom view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 25.6 ksi
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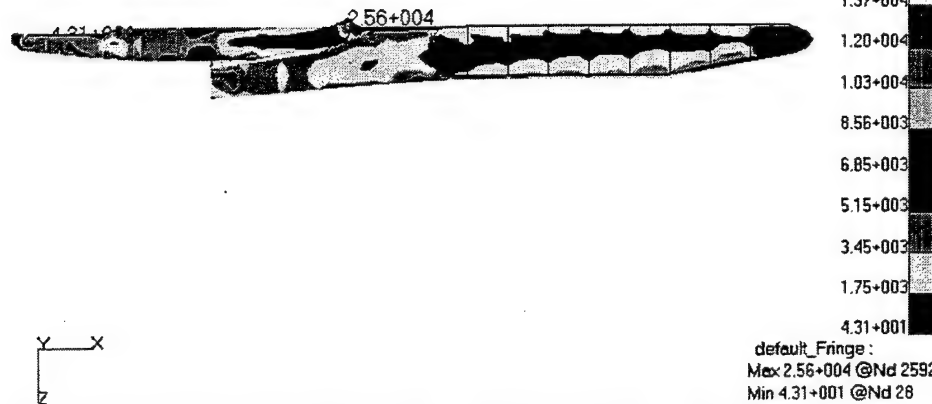


Figure 44. LMSR (right view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 25.6 ksi
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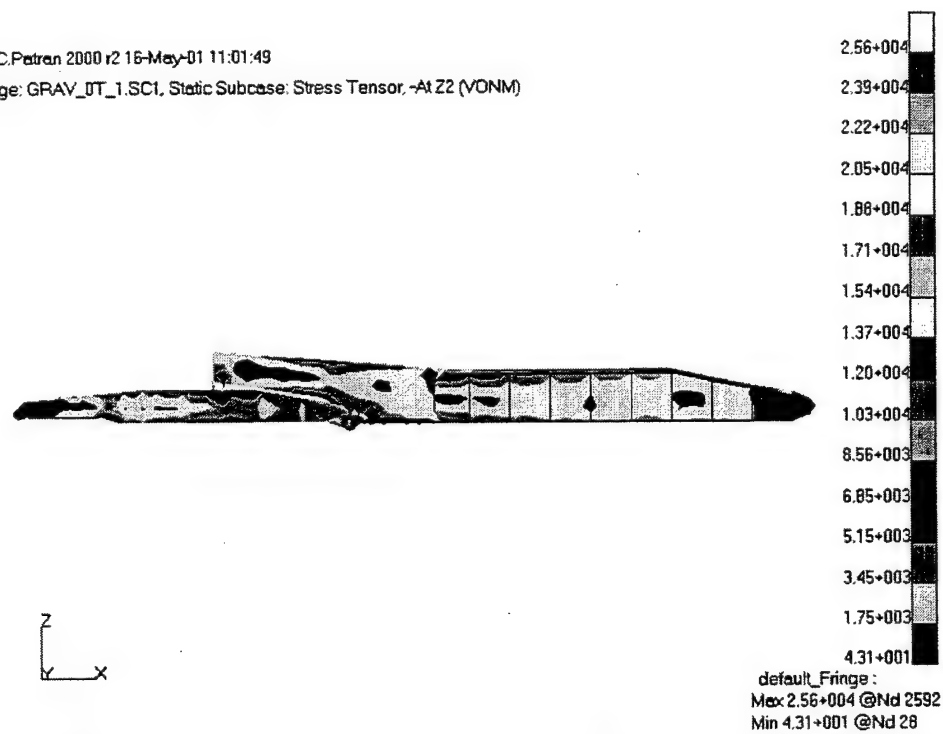


Figure 45. LMSR (left view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 25.6 ksi
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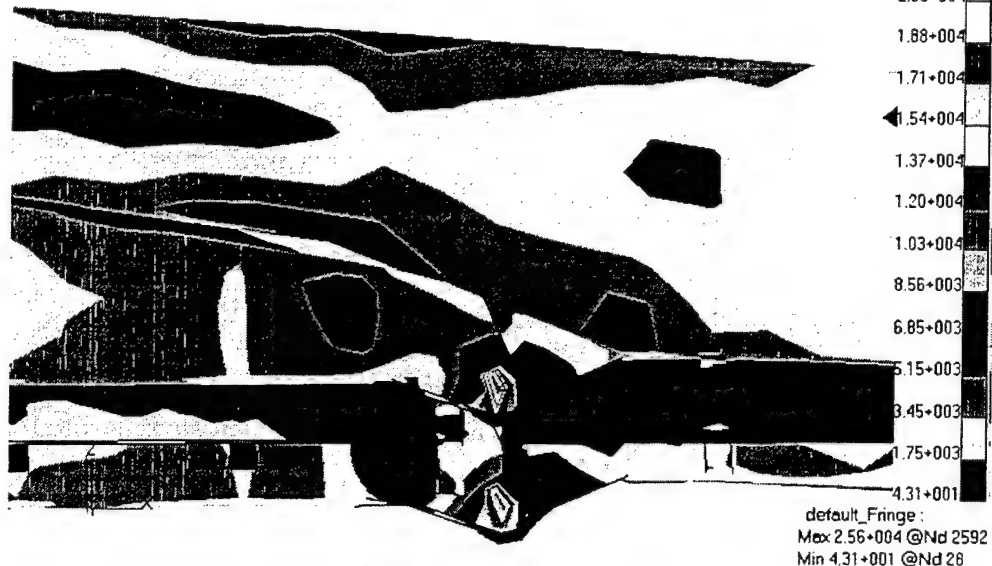


Figure 46. LMSR (close-up) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 25.6 ksi
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Figure 47. LMSR (close-up) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 25.6 ksi
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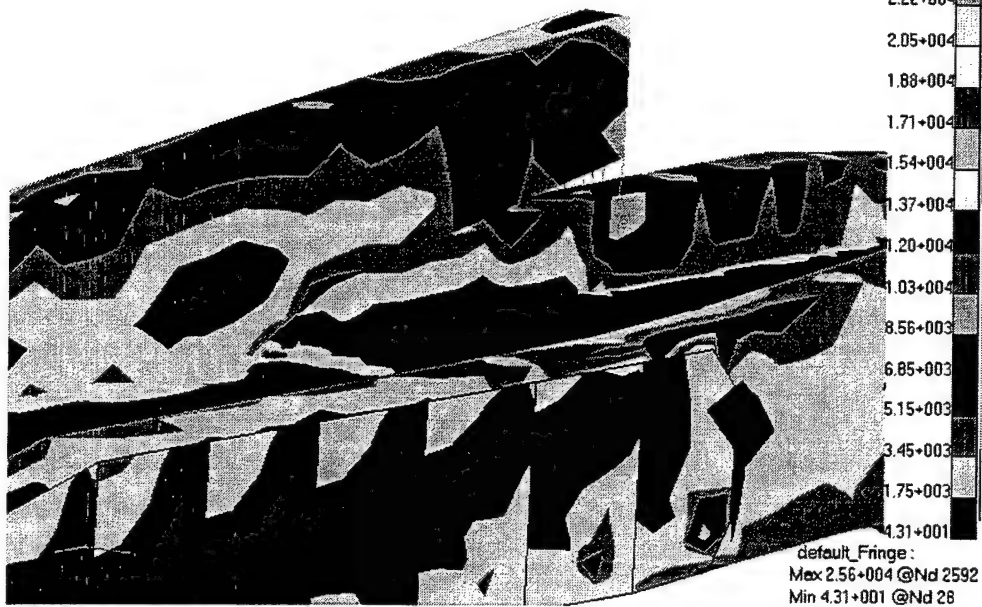


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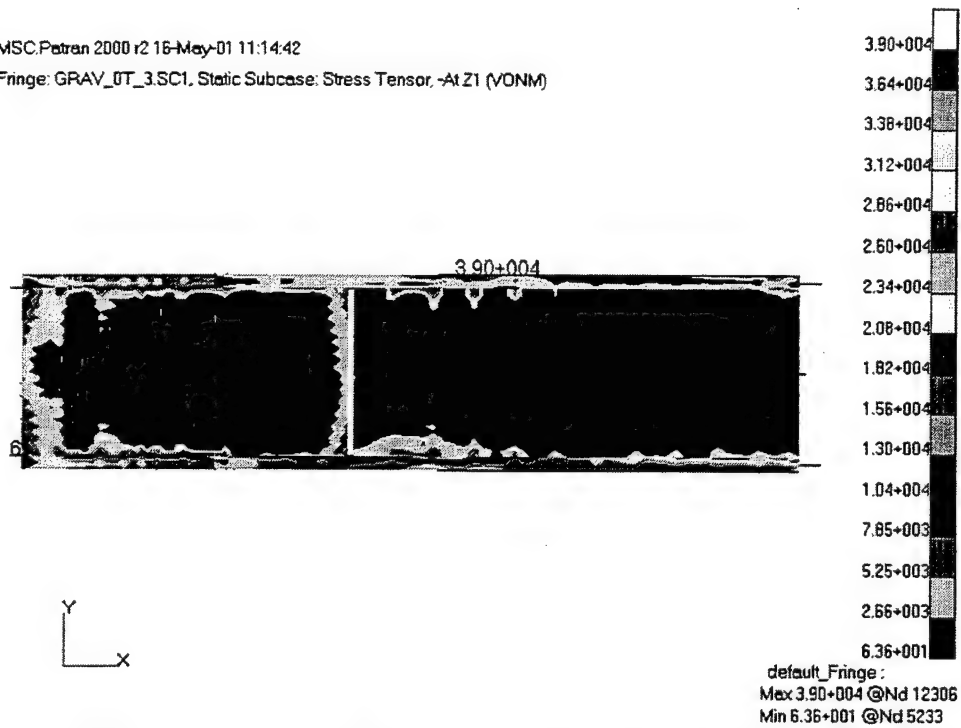


Figure 49. LMSR (top view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 39.0 ksi
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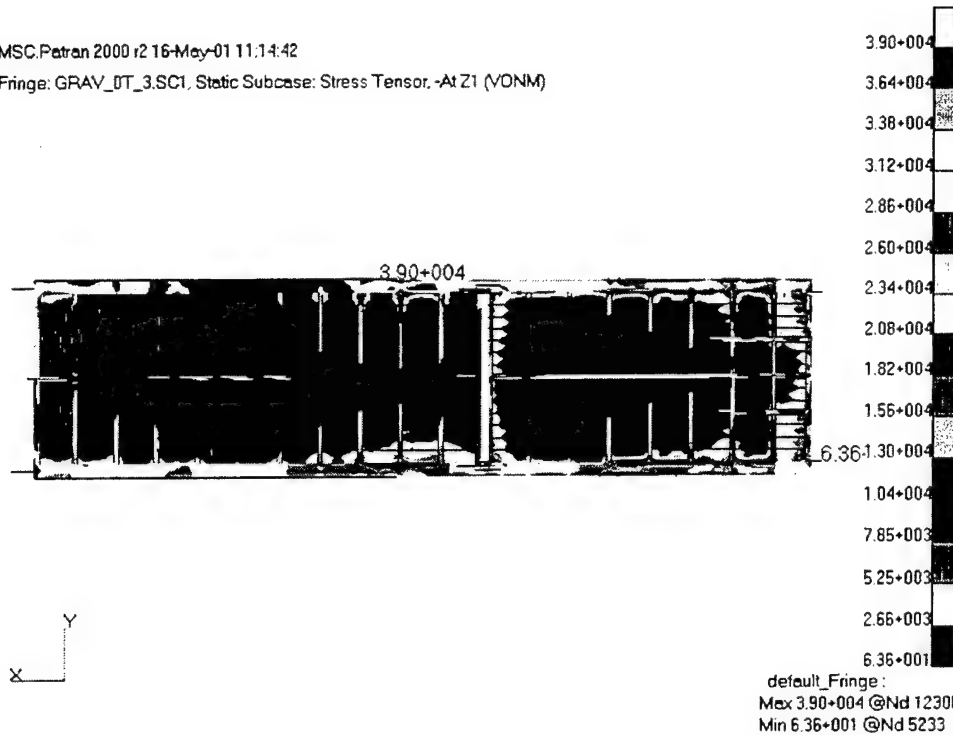


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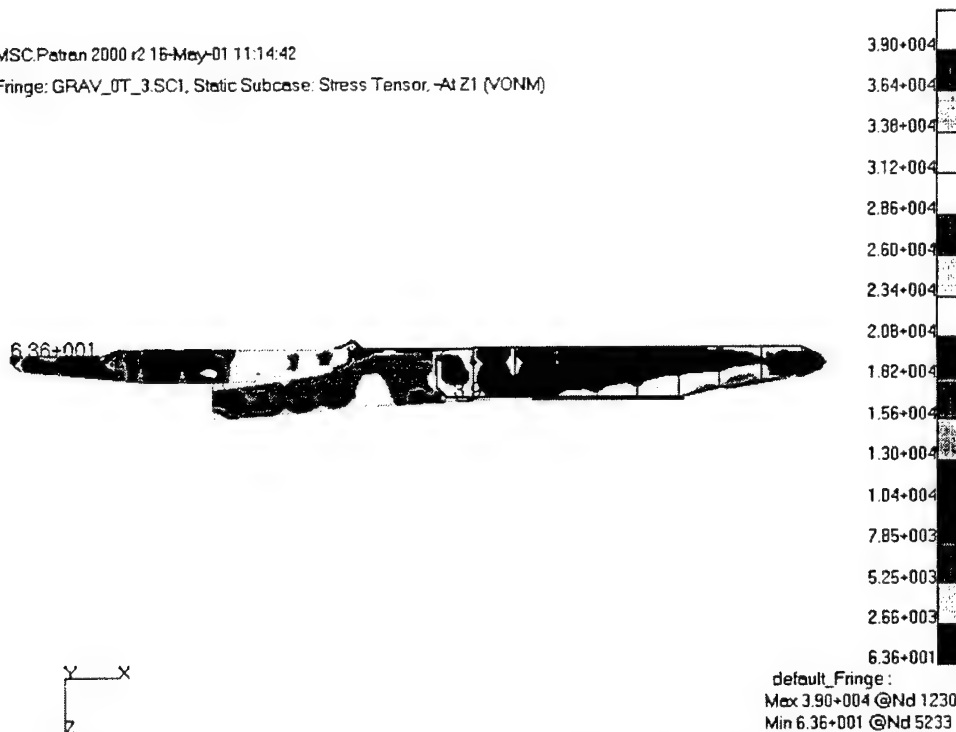


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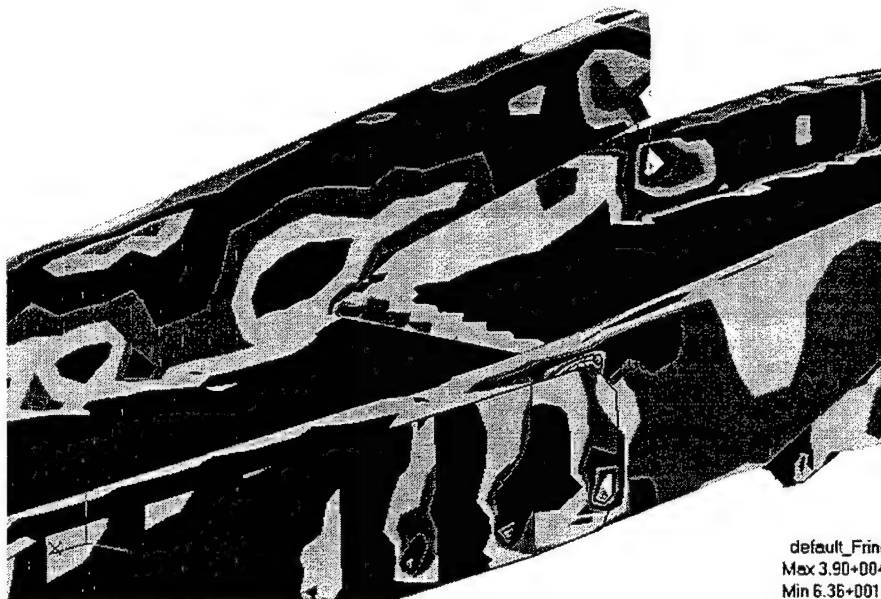
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Figure 52. LMSR (left view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 39.0 ksi
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Figure 53. LMSR (close-up) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 39.0 ksi
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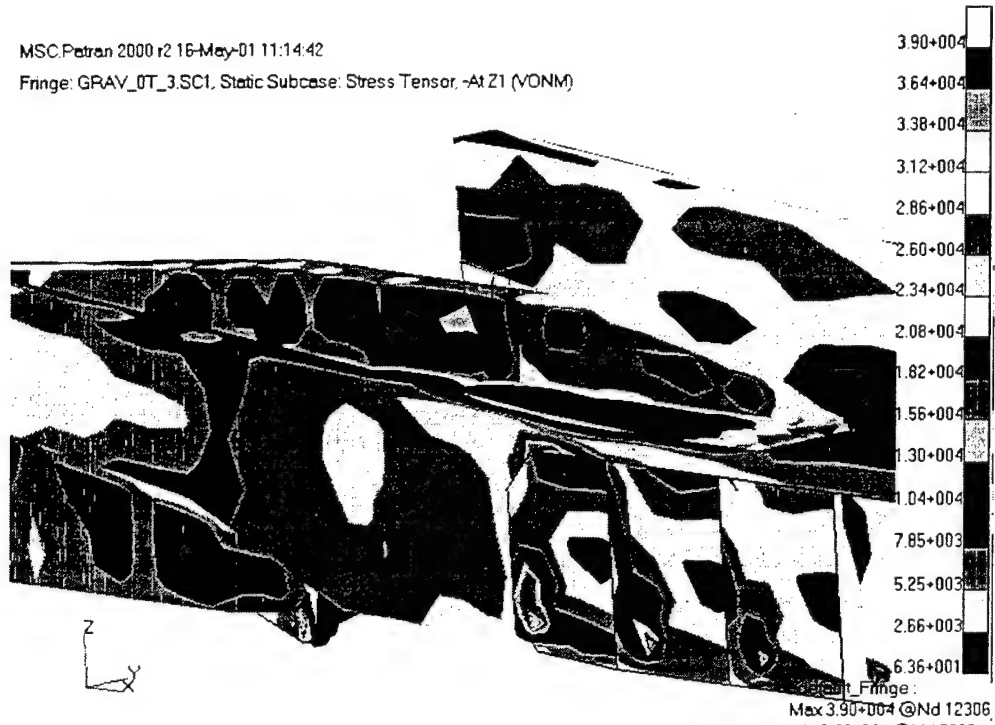


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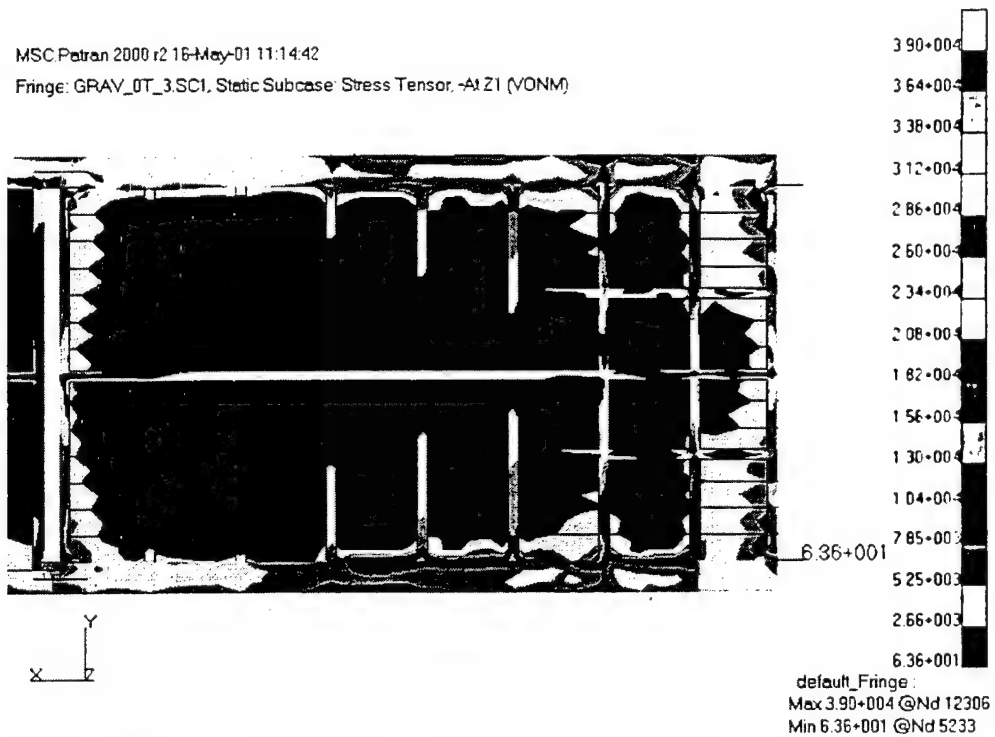


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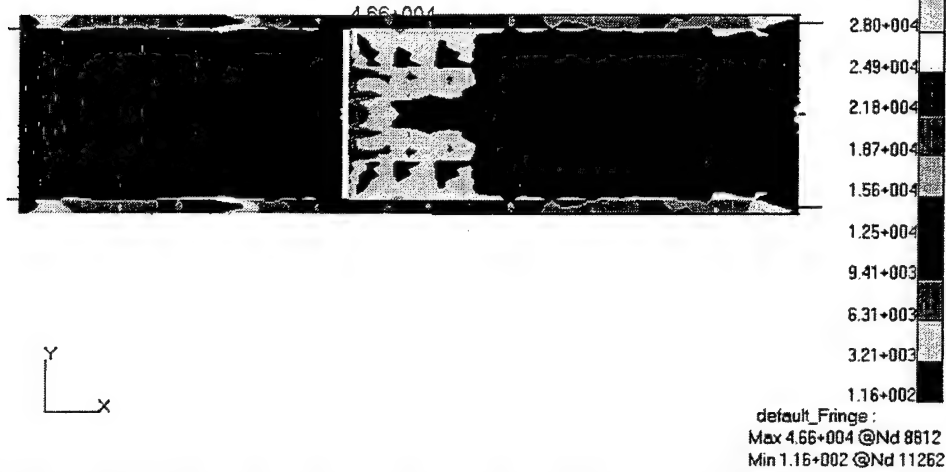


Figure 56. LMSR (top view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 46.6 ksi
(Inertia Loading, No Twist, One Tank)

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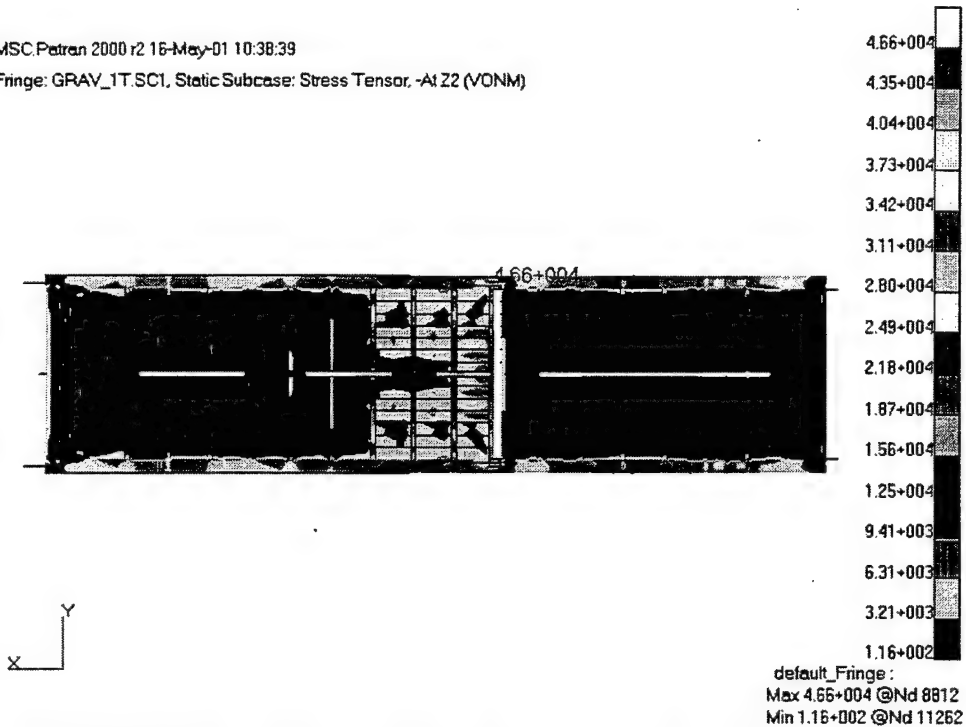
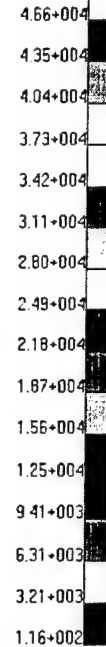
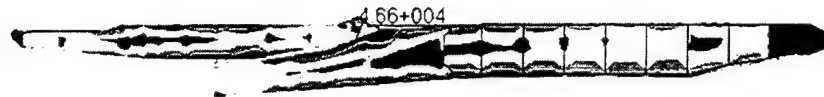


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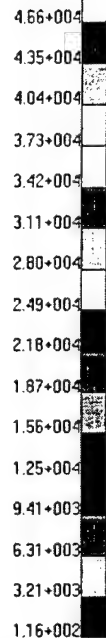


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Figure 58. LMSR (right view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 46.6 ksi
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Figure 59. LMSR (left view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 46.6 ksi
 (Inertia Loading, No Twist, One Tank)

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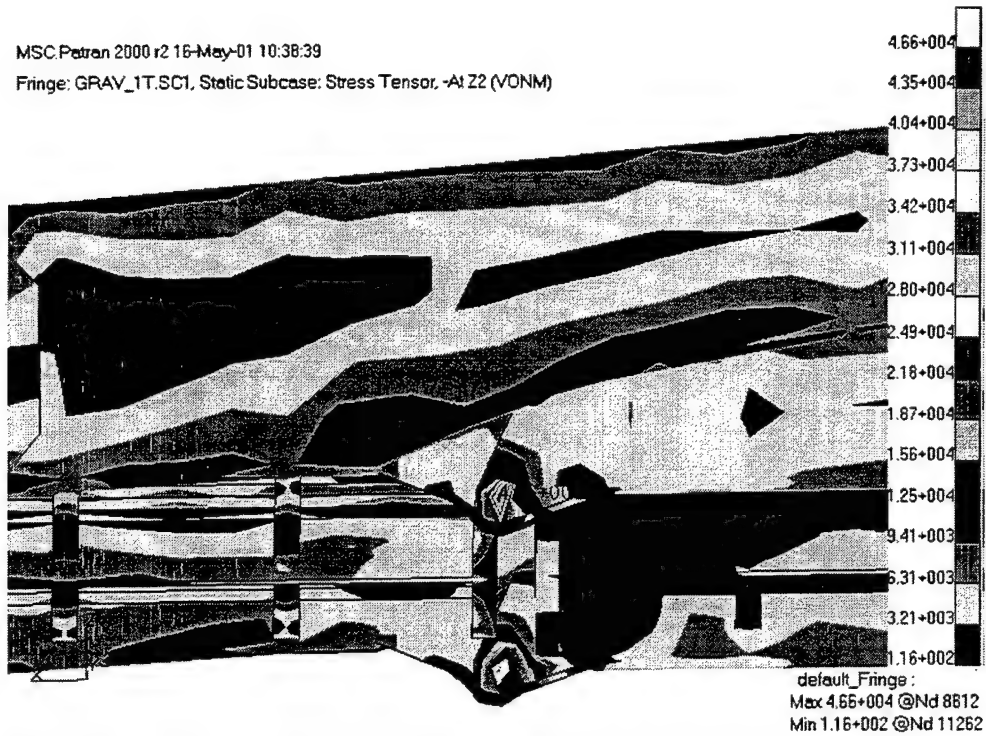


Figure 60. LMSR (close-up) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 46.6 ksi
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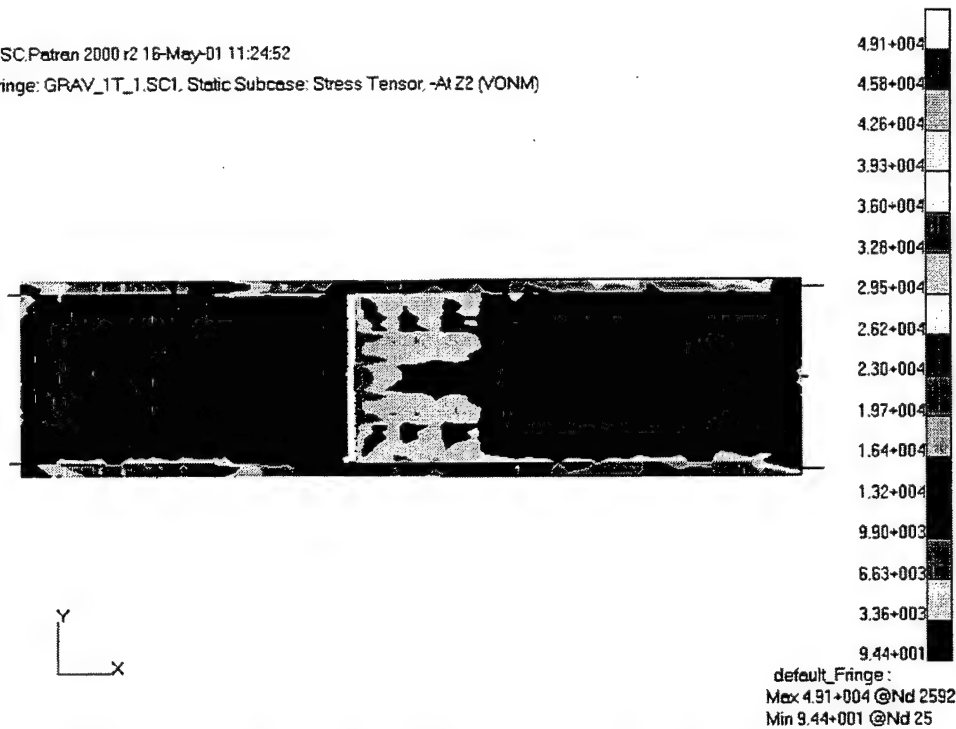


Figure 61. LMSR (top view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 49.1 ksi
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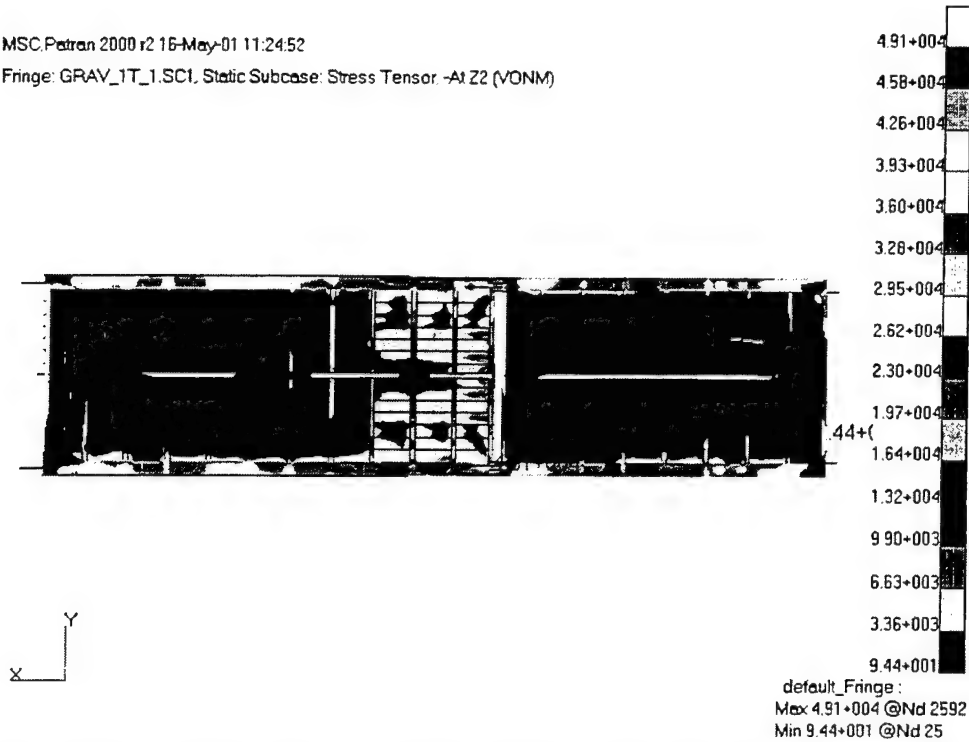


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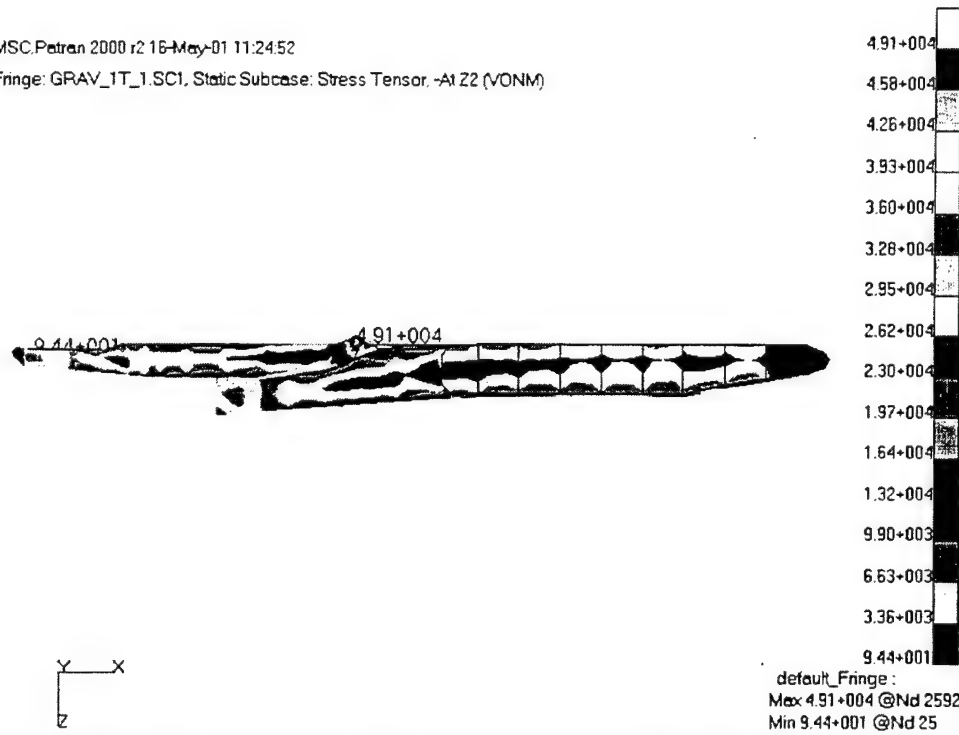
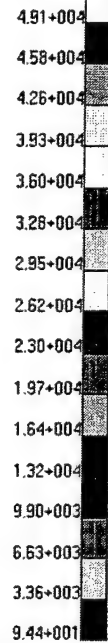


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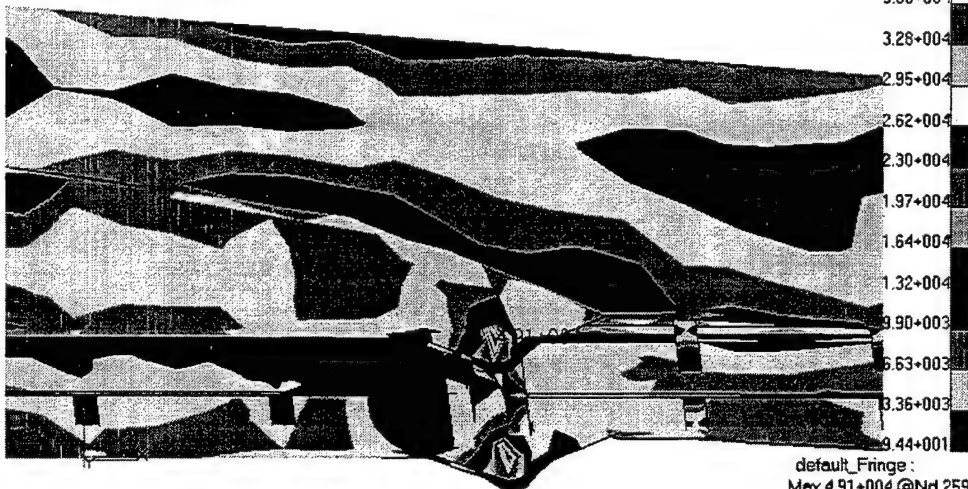
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Figure 64. LMSR (left view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 49.1 ksi
 (Inertia Loading, 1 Degree Twist, One Tank)

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Figure 65. LMSR (close-up) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 49.1 ksi
 (Inertia Loading, 1 Degree Twist, One Tank)

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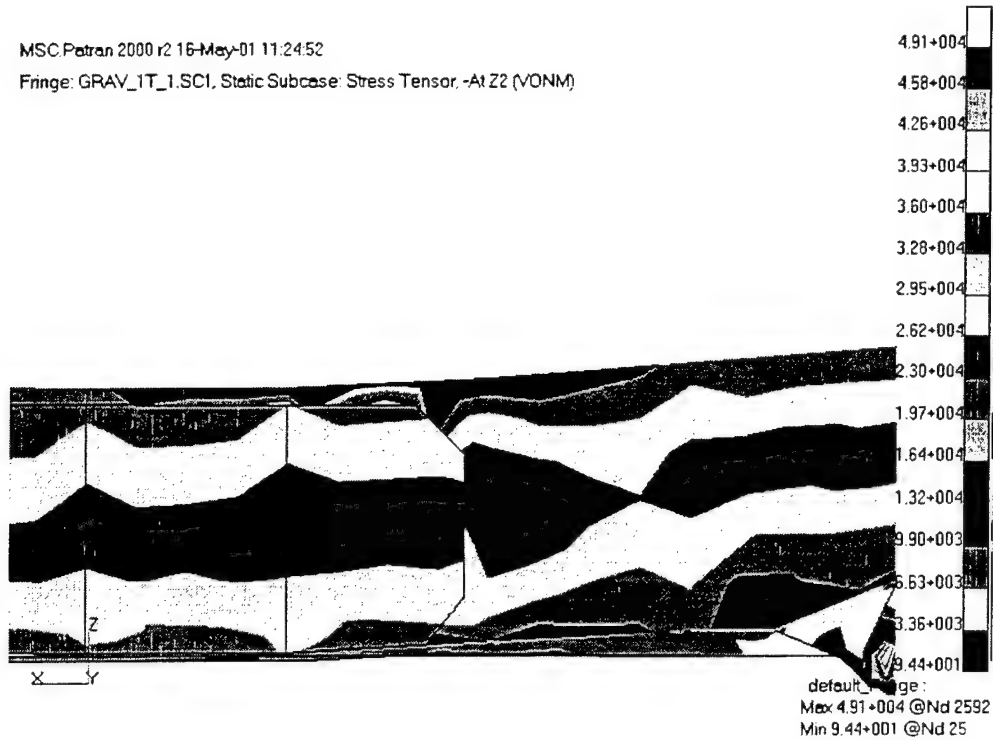


Figure 66. LMSR (close-up) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 49.1 ksi
 (Inertia Loading, 1 Degree Twist, One Tank)

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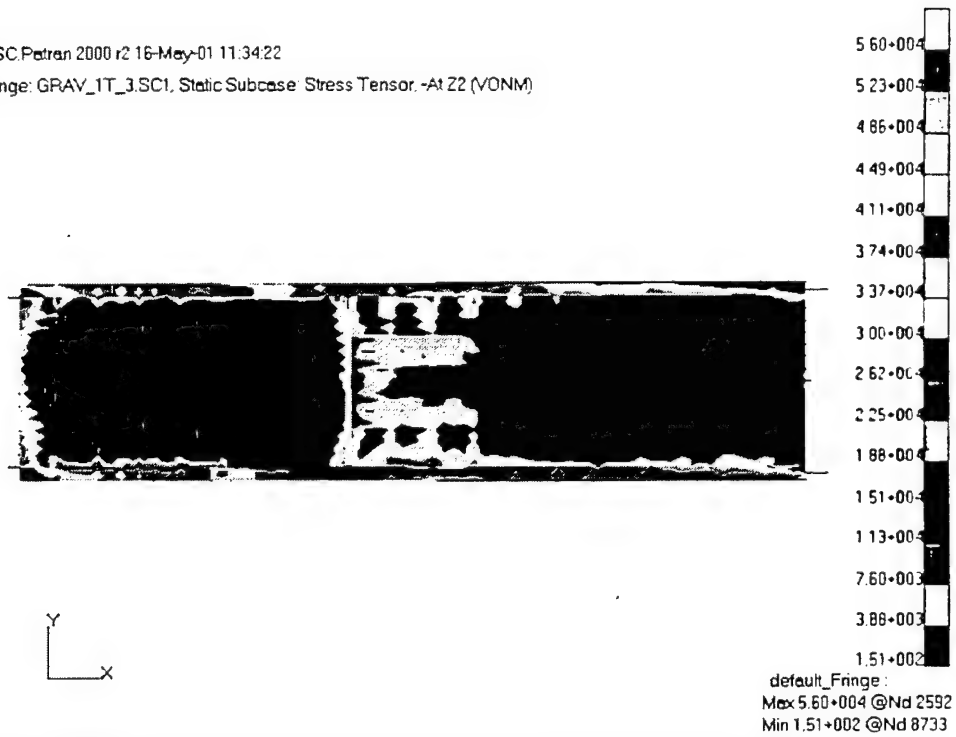


Figure 67. LMSR (top view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 56.0 ksi
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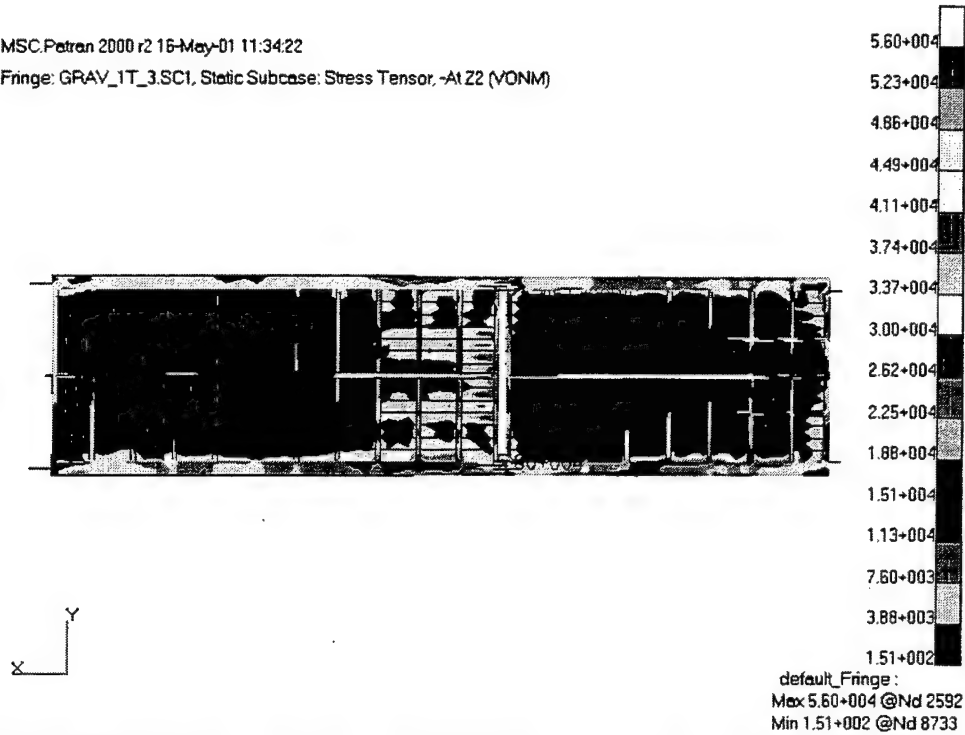


Figure 68. LMSR (bottom view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 56.0 ksi
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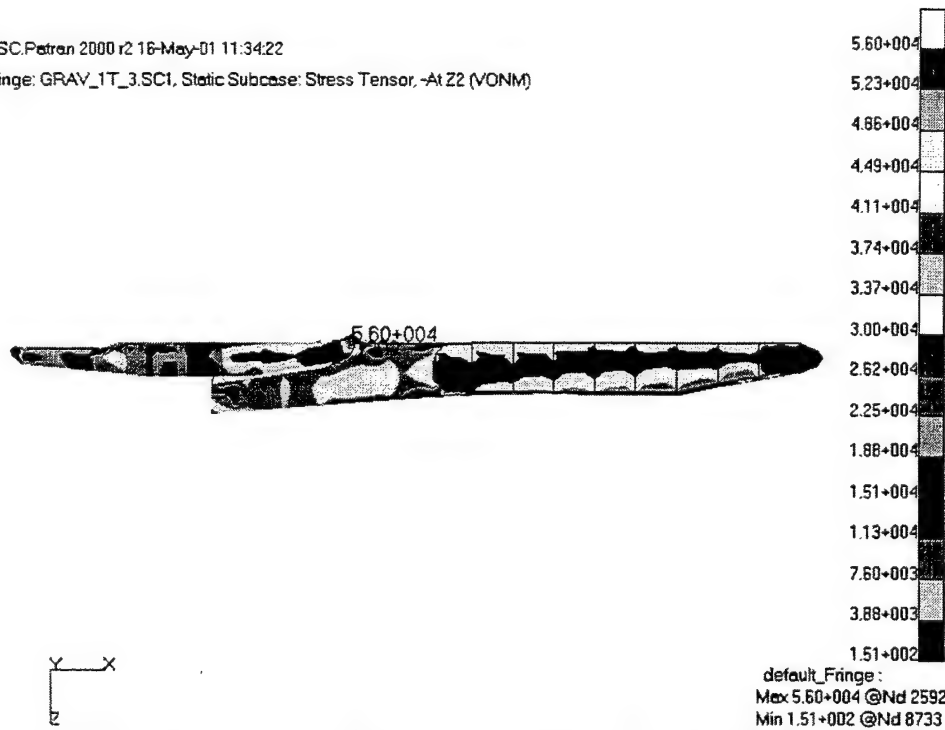


Figure 69. LMSR (right view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 56.0 ksi
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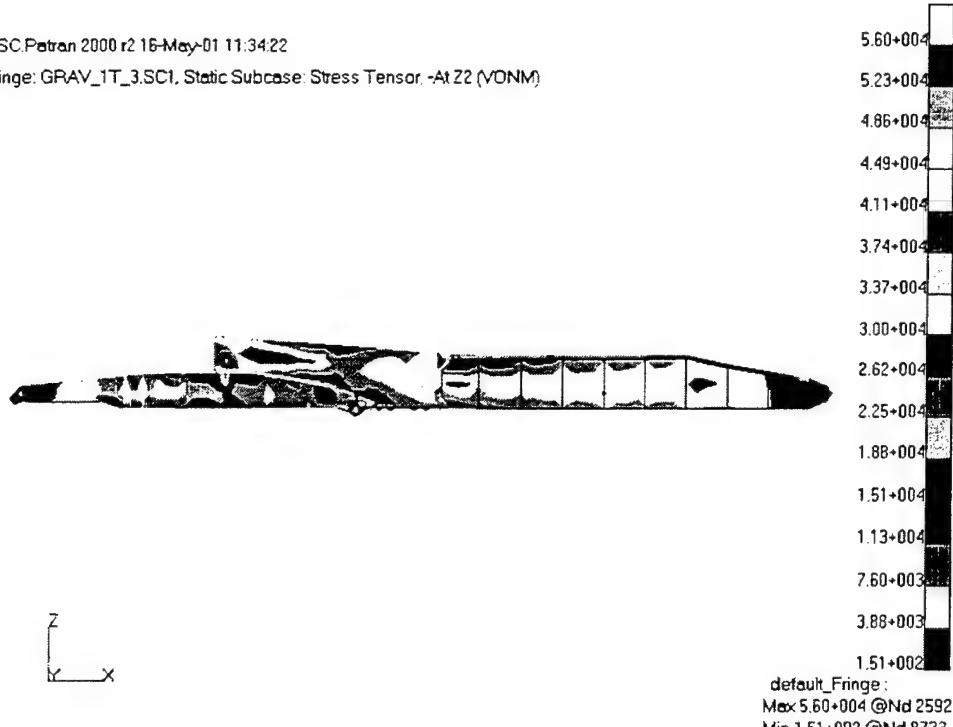


Figure 70. LMSR (left view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 56.0 ksi
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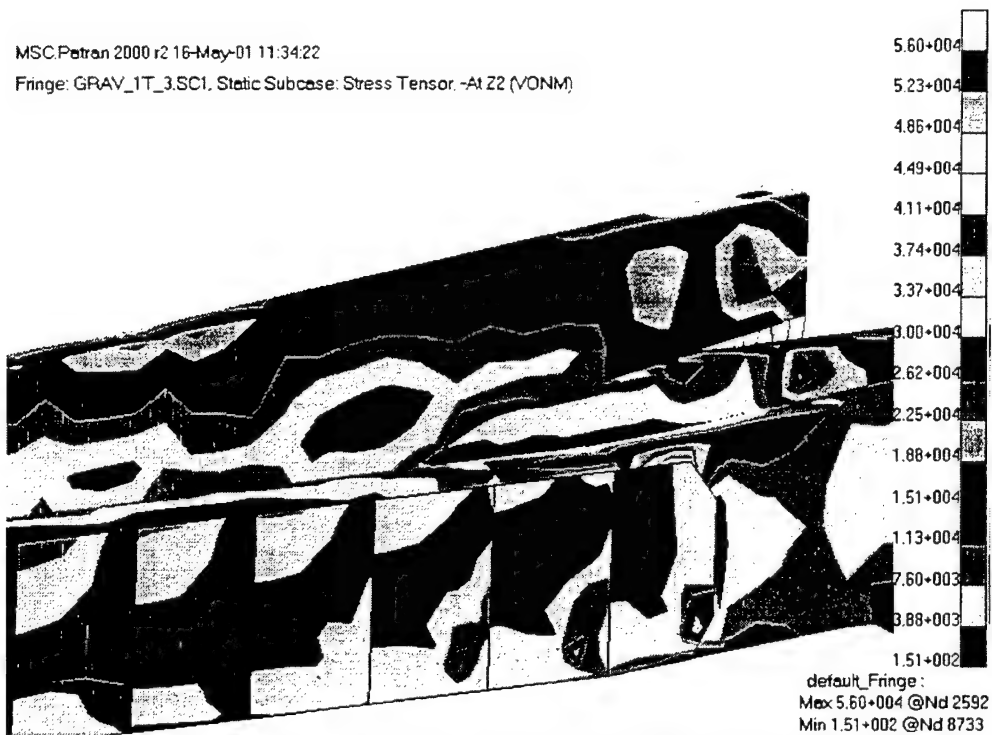


Figure 71. LMSR (close-up) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 56.0 ksi
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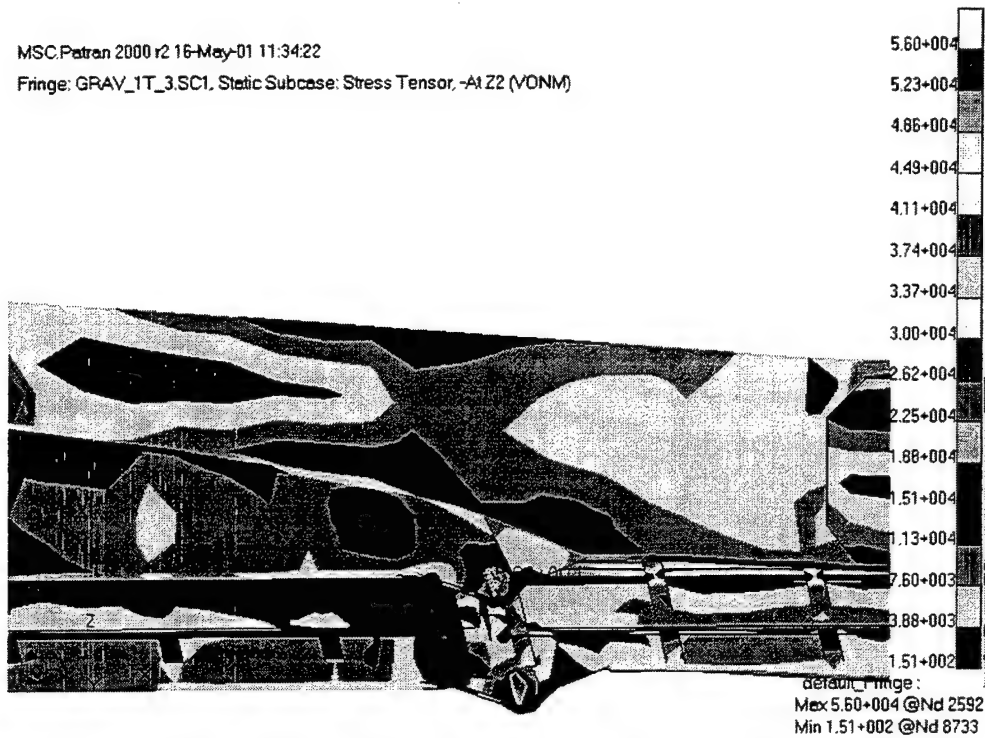


Figure 72. LMSR (close-up) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 56.0 ksi
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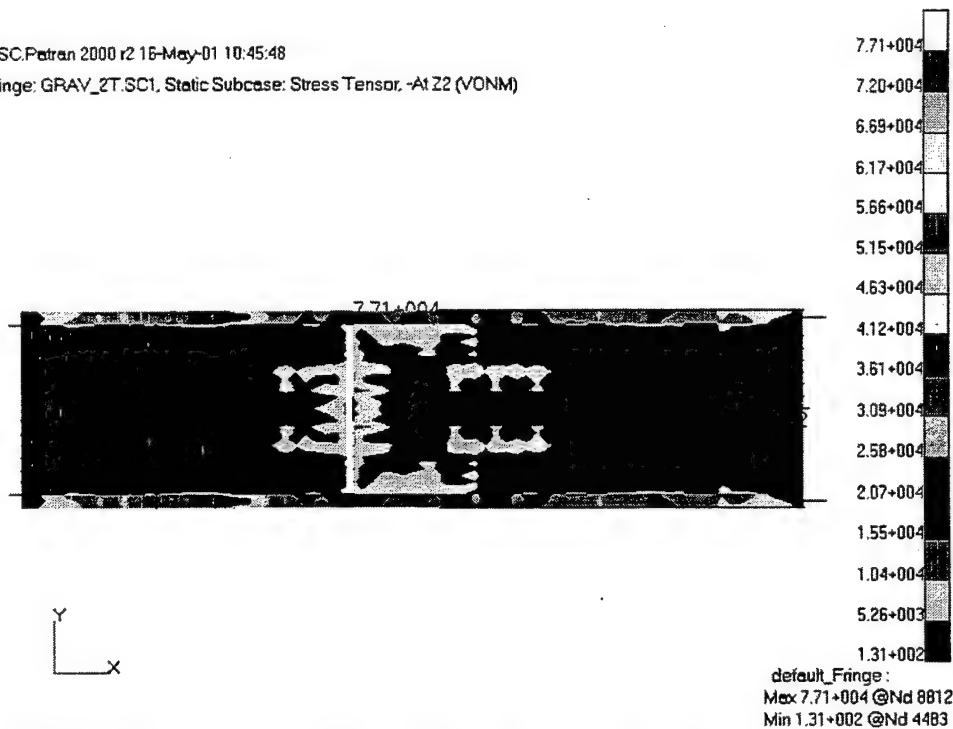


Figure 73. LMSR (top view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 77.1 ksi
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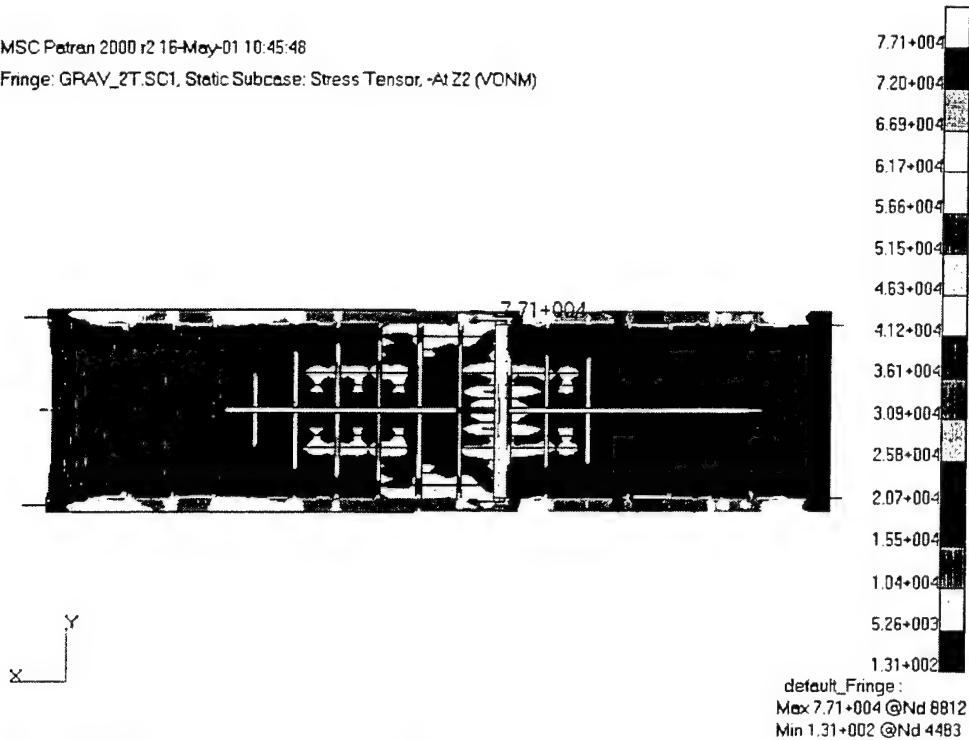


Figure 74. LMSR (bottom view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 77.1 ksi
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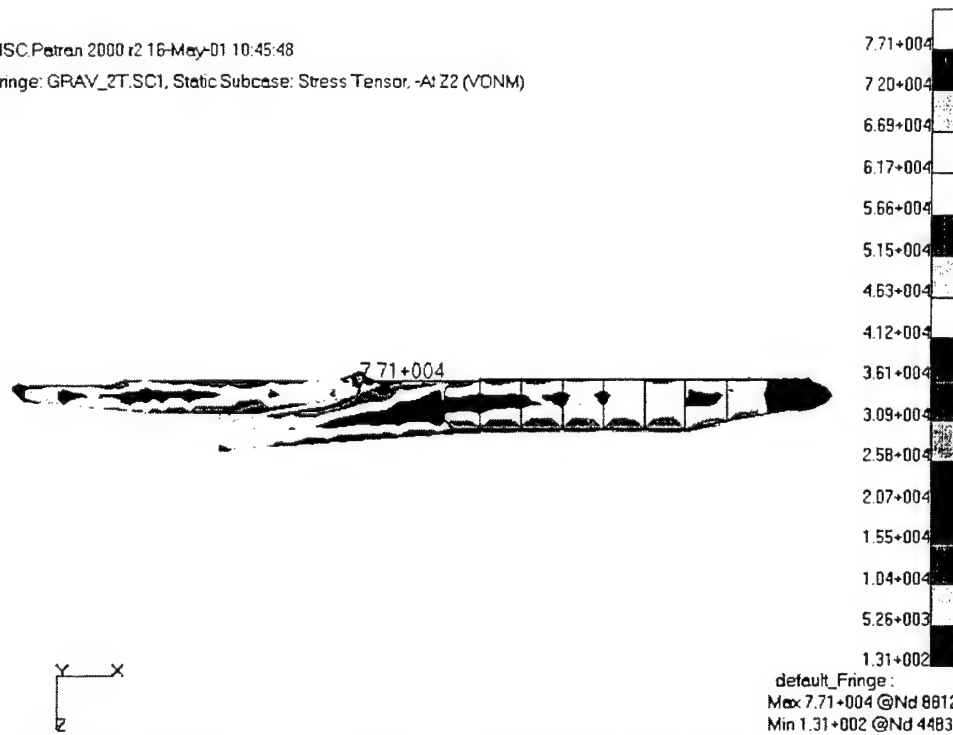


Figure 75. LMSR (right view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 77.1 ksi
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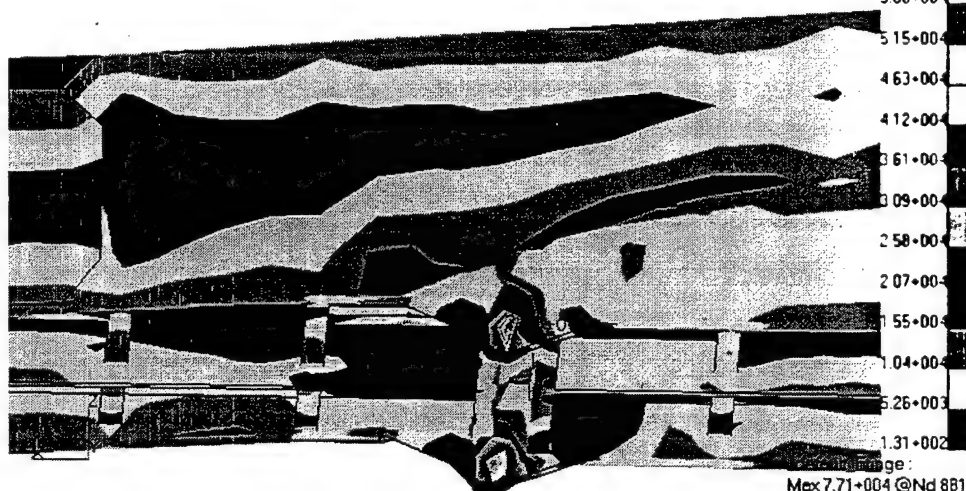


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Figure 76. LMSR (left view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 77.1 ksi
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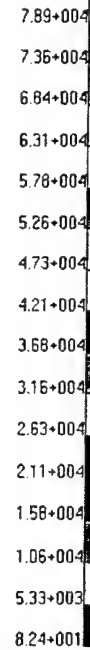
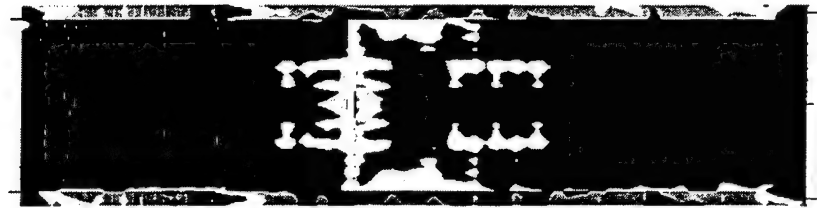
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Figure 77. LMSR (close-up) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 77.1 ksi
(Inertia Loading, No Twist, Two Tanks)

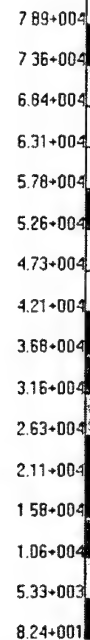
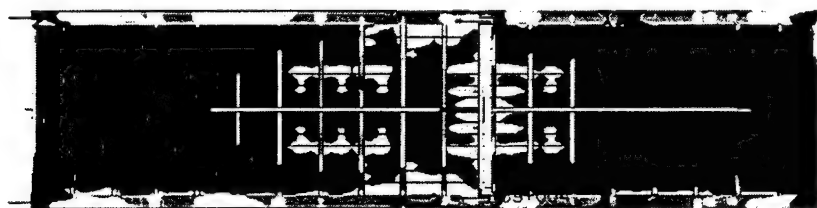
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Figure 78. LMSR (top view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 78.9 ksi
 (Inertia Loading, 1 Degree Twist, Two Tanks)

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Figure 79. LMSR (bottom view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 78.9 ksi
 (Inertia Loading, 1 Degree Twist, Two Tanks)

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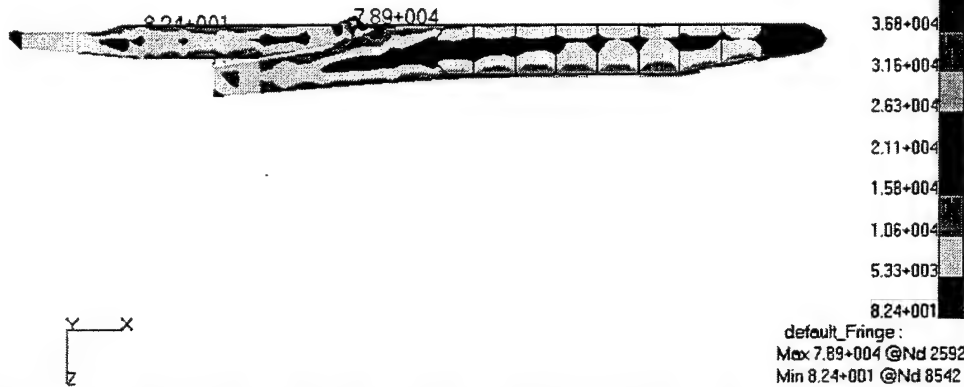


Figure 80. LMSR (right view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 78.9 ksi
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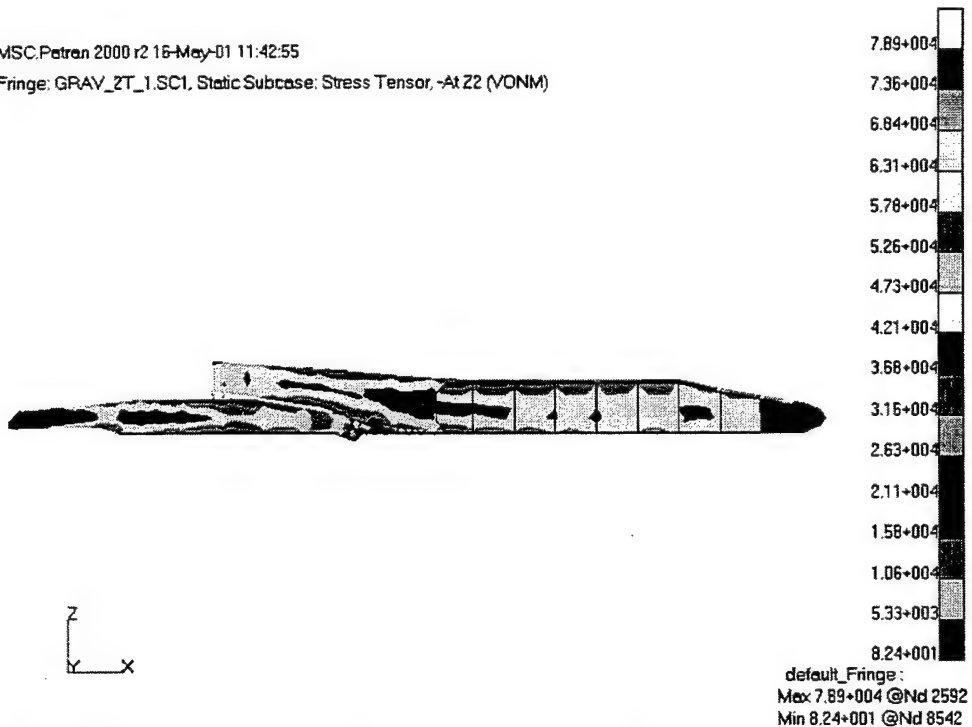


Figure 81. LMSR (left view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 78.9 ksi
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Figure 82. LMSR (close-up) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 78.9 ksi
(Inertia Loading, 1 Degree Twist, Two Tanks)

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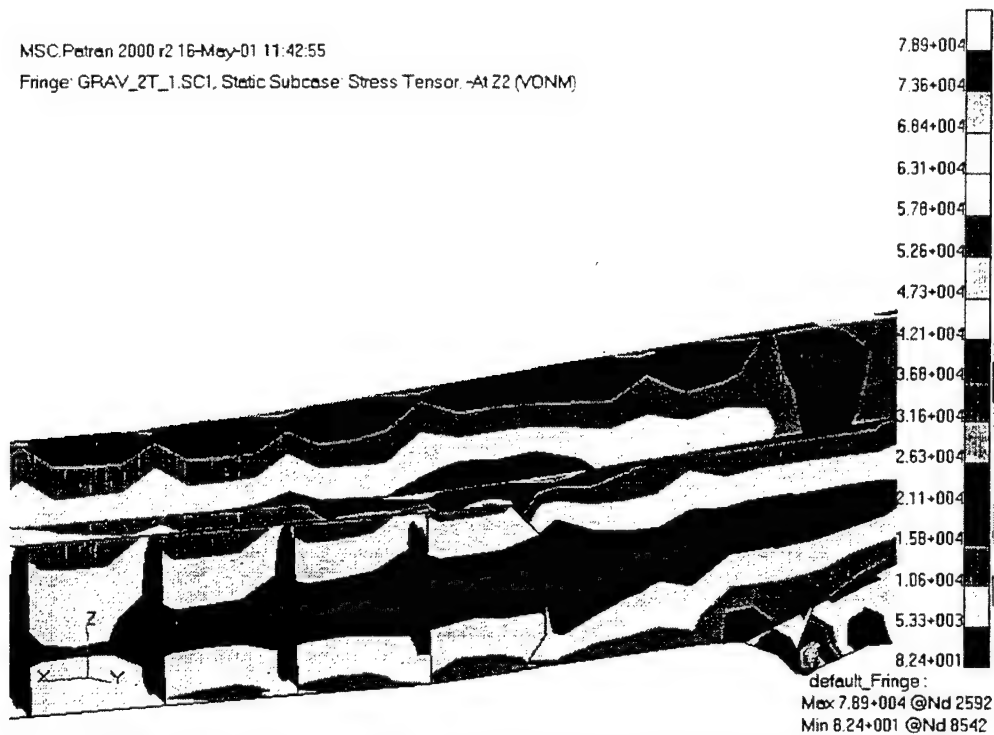


Figure 83. LMSR (close-up) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 78.9 ksi
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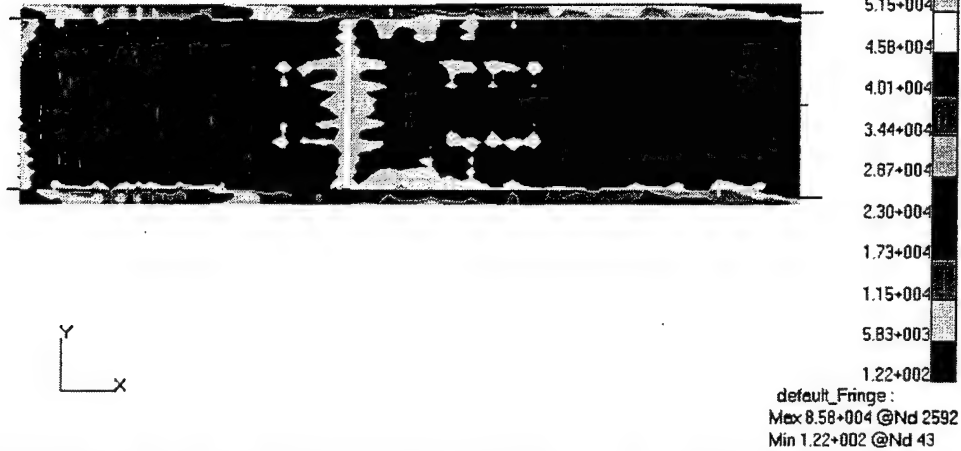


Figure 84. LMSR (top view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 85.8 ksi
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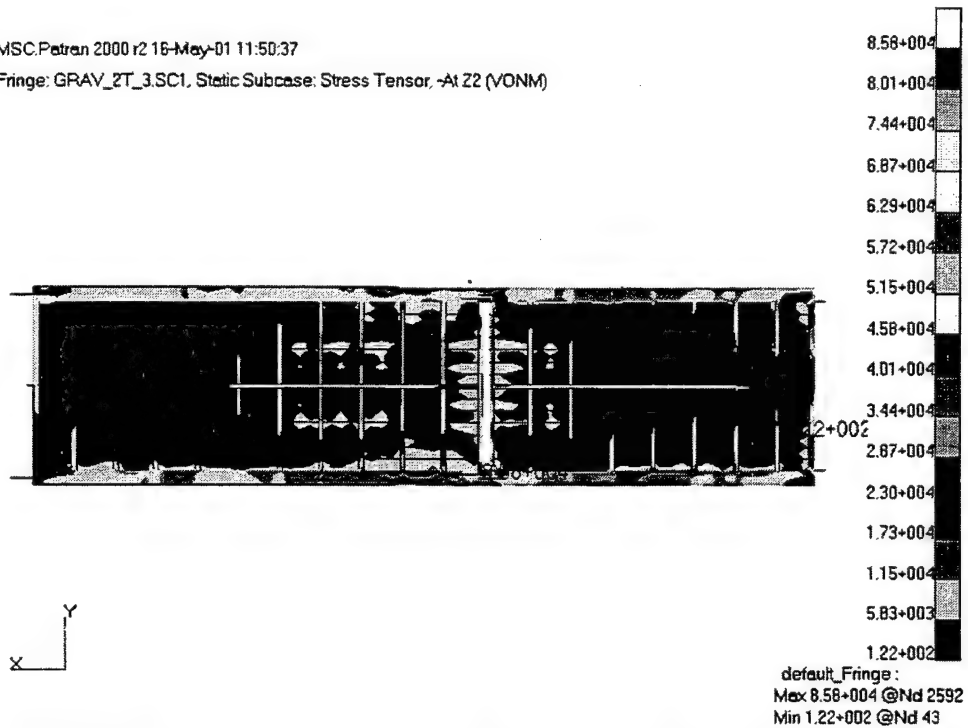


Figure 85. LMSR (bottom view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 85.8 ksi
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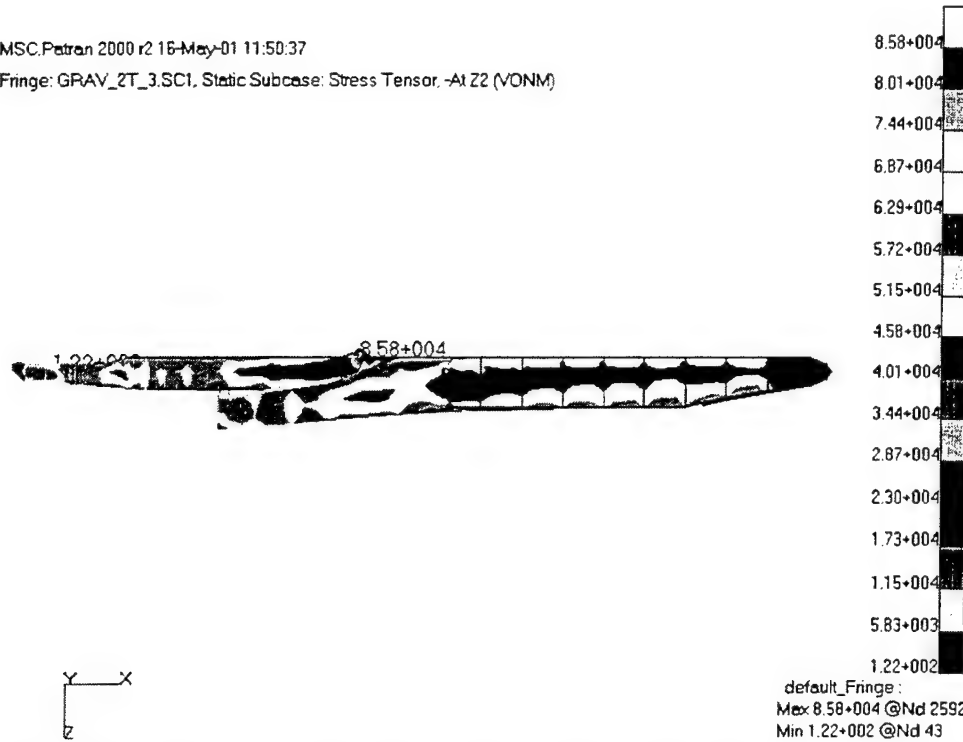


Figure 86. LMSR (right view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 85.8 ksi
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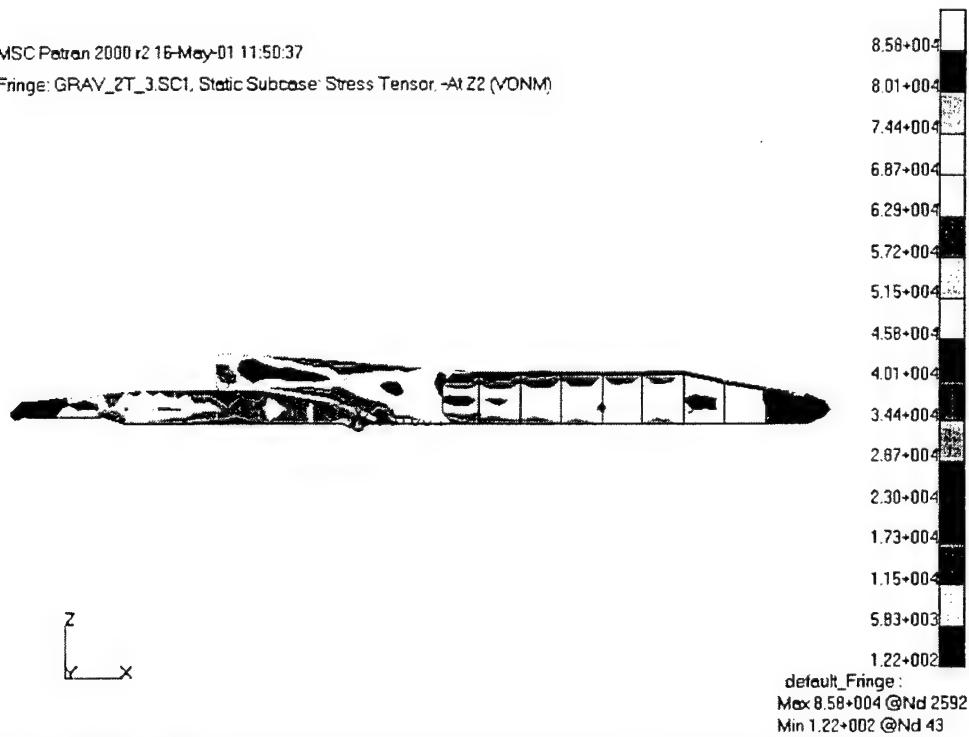


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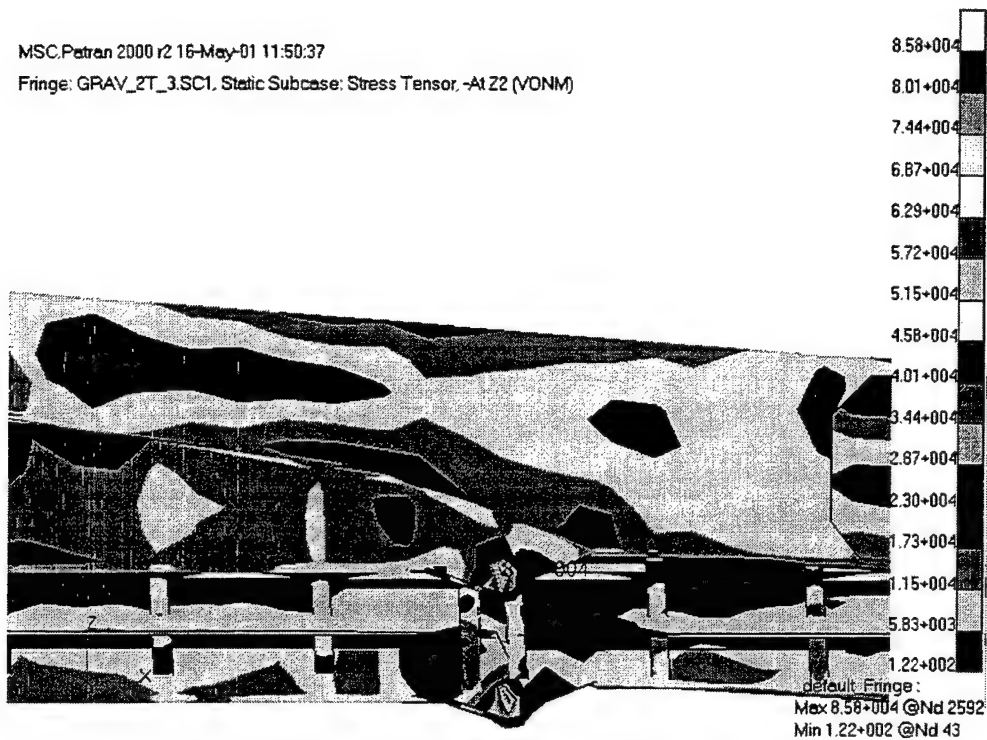


Figure 88. LMSR (close-up) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 85.8 ksi
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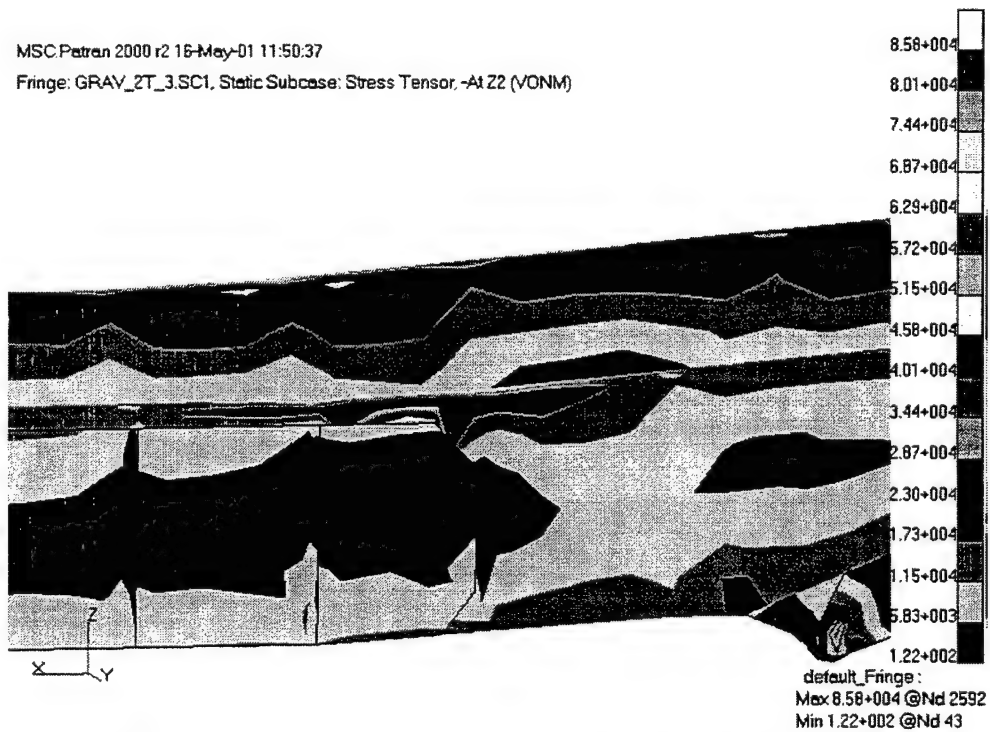


Figure 89. LMSR (close-up) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 85.8 ksi
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2. Cape T Stern Ramp

The Cape T stern ramp analyses were conducted with the same boundary conditions as the LMSR stern ramp (restrained in the three translational DOF at the ship end and the vertical DOF at the RRDF end). Twist angles between the RRDF and ship of zero, one, and three degrees were considered. Maximum von Mises stress contour plots were generated with PATRAN and are displayed in Figures 90 through 140.

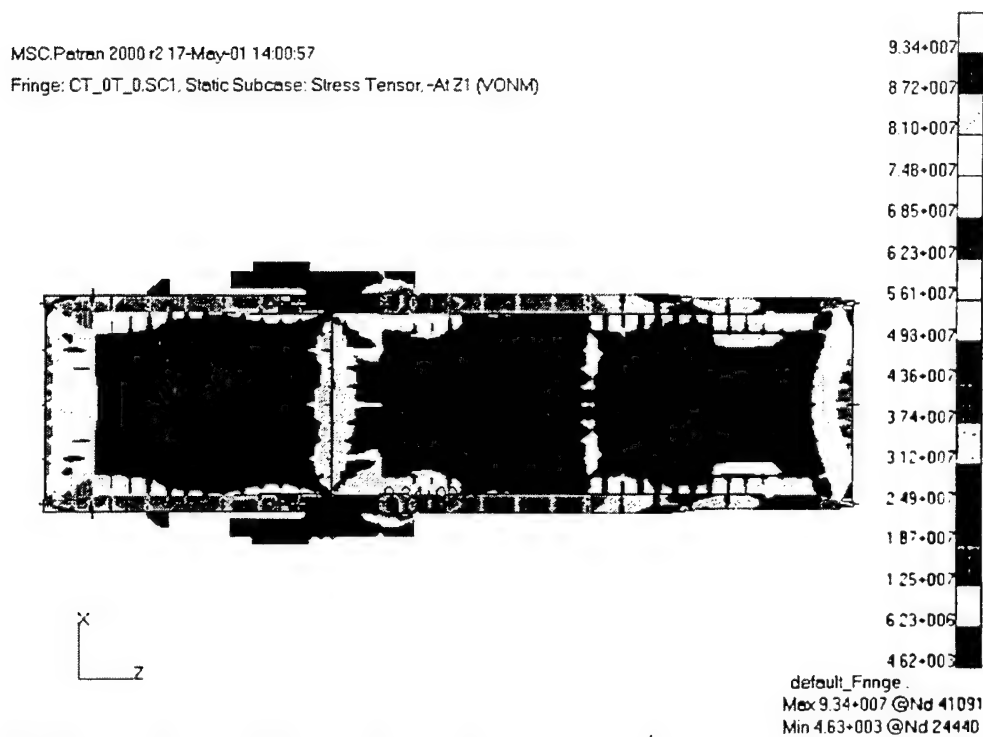


Figure 90. Cape T (top view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 13.5 ksi (Inertia Loading, No Twist, No Tanks)

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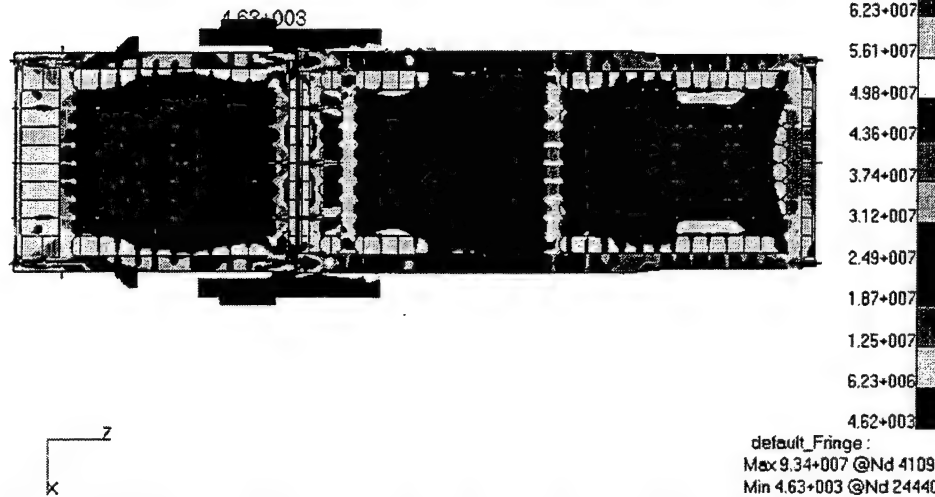


Figure 91. Cape T (bottom view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 13.5 ksi (Inertia Loading, No Twist, No Tanks)

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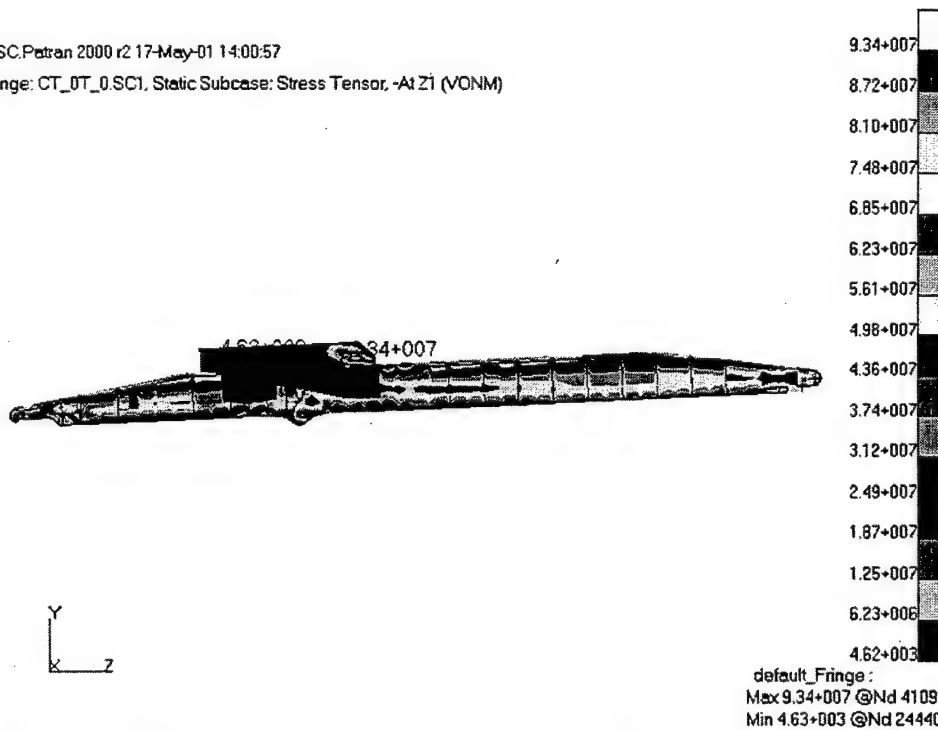
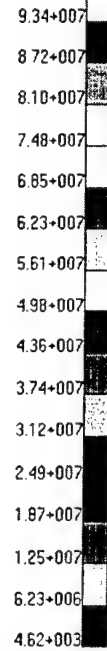


Figure 92. Cape T (left view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 13.5 ksi (Inertia Loading, No Twist, No Tanks)

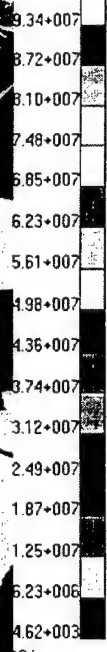
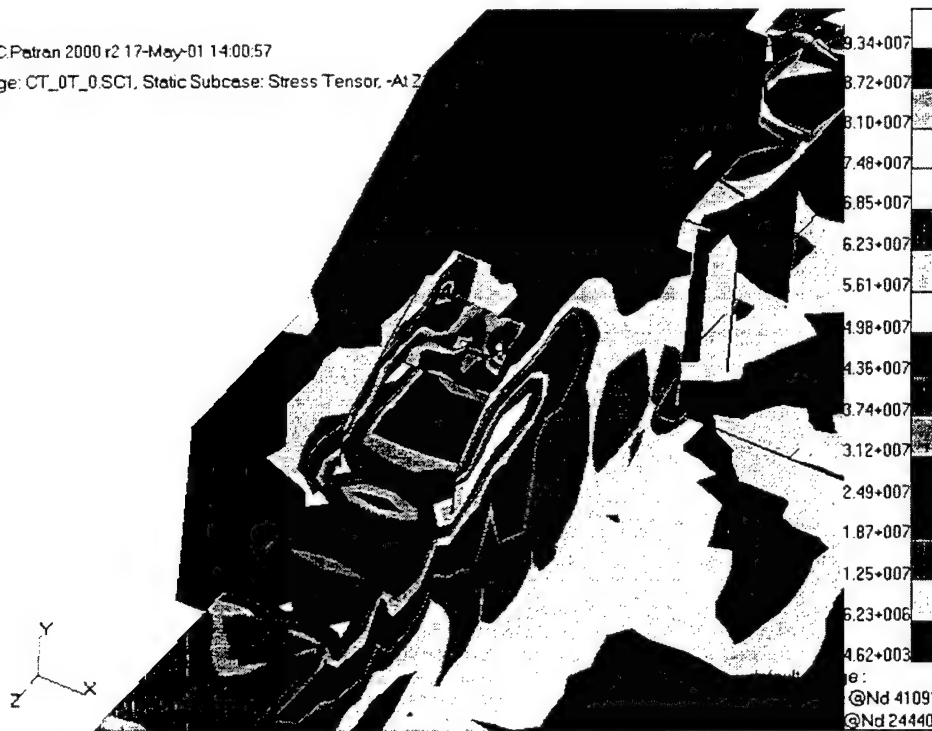
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Figure 93. Cape T (right view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 13.5 ksi
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Figure 94. Cape T (close-up) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 13.5 ksi
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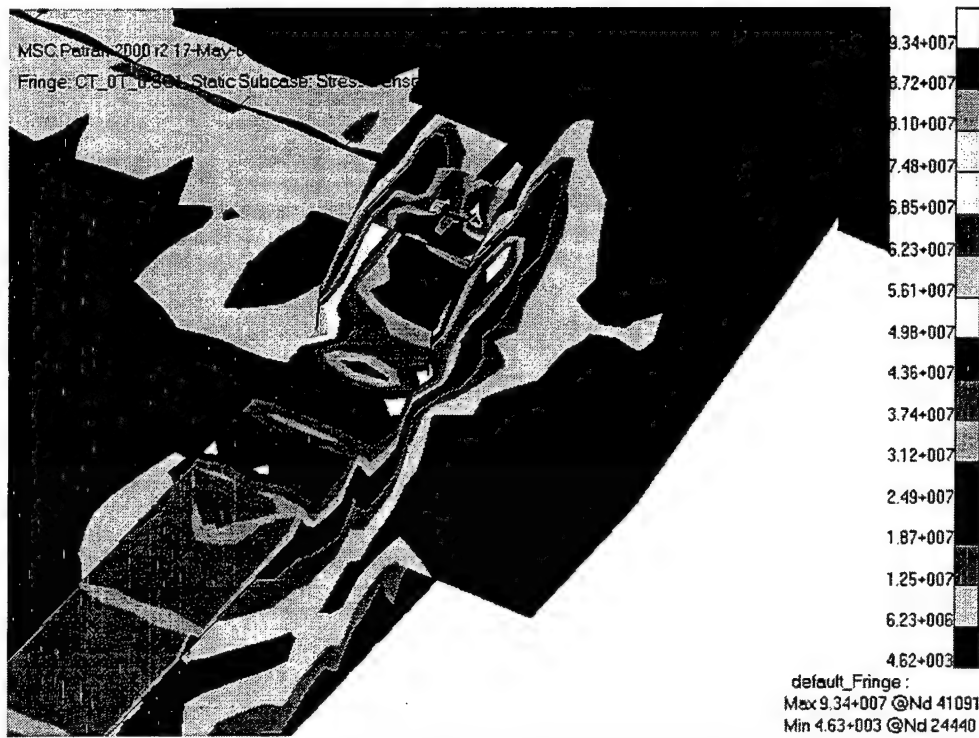


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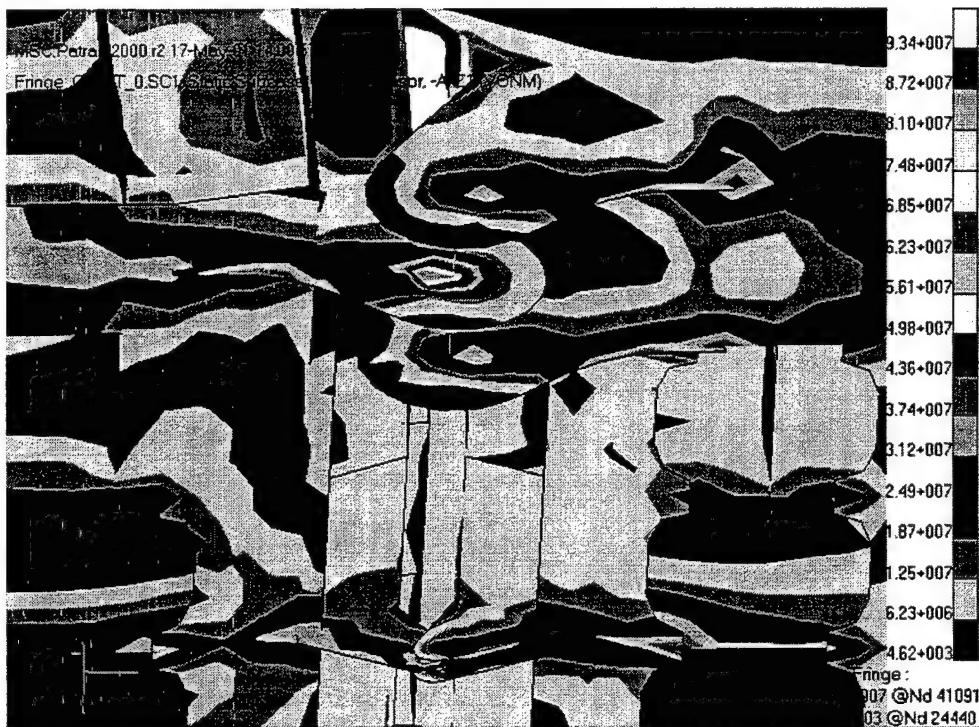


Figure 96. Cape T (close-up) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 13.5 ksi
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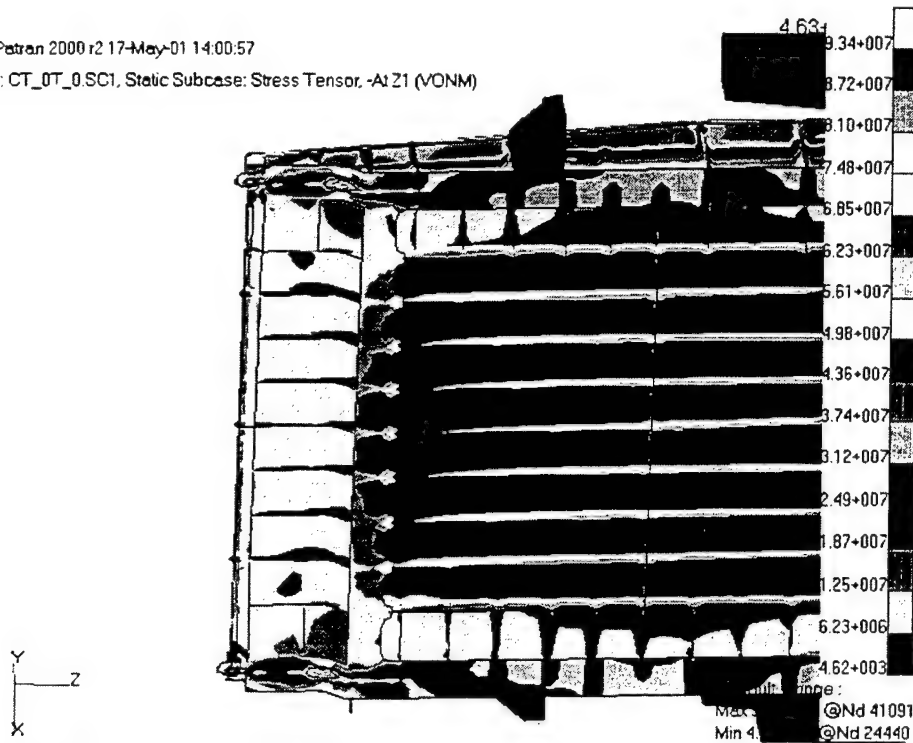


Figure 97. Cape T (close-up) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 13.5 ksi
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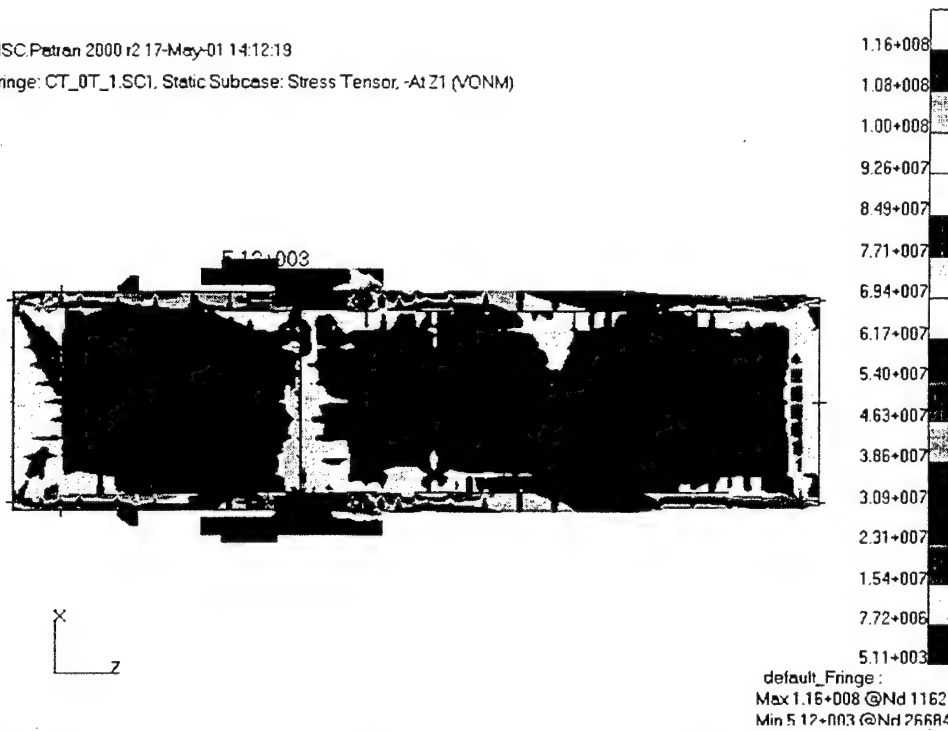
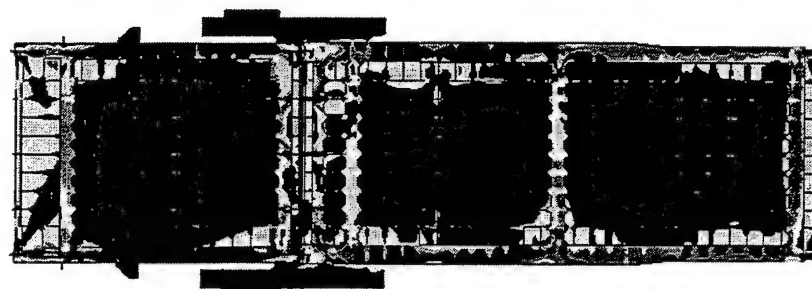


Figure 98. Cape T (top view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 16.8 ksi
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Figure 99. Cape T (bottom view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 16.8 ksi
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Figure 100. Cape T (left view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 16.8 ksi
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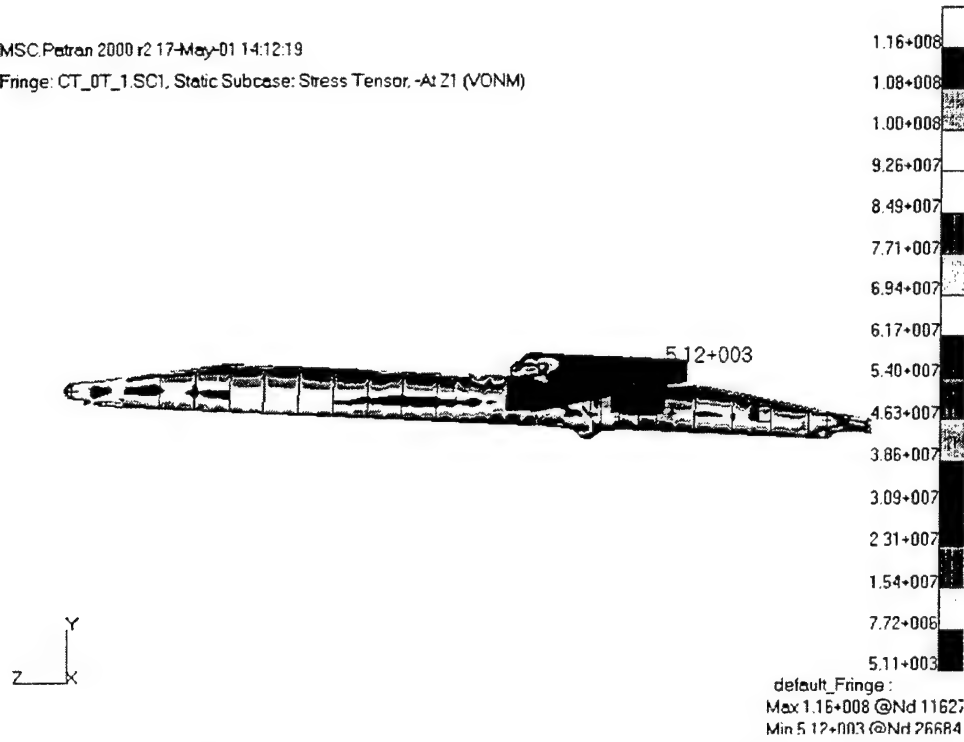


Figure 101. Cape T (right view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 16.8 ksi
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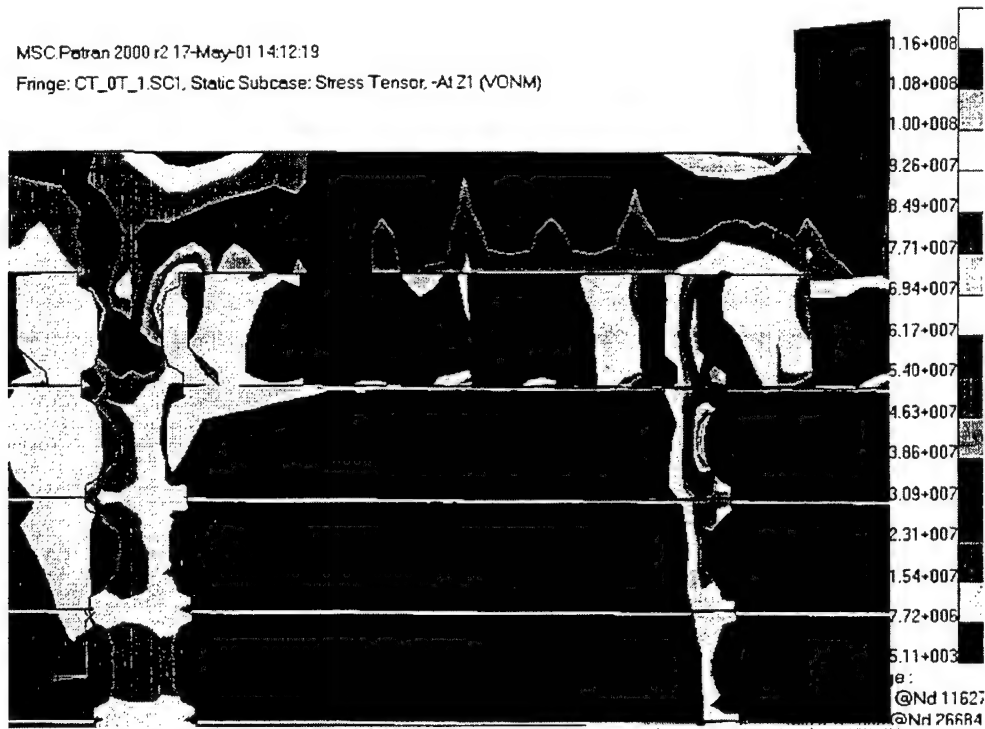


Figure 102. Cape T (close-up) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 16.8 ksi
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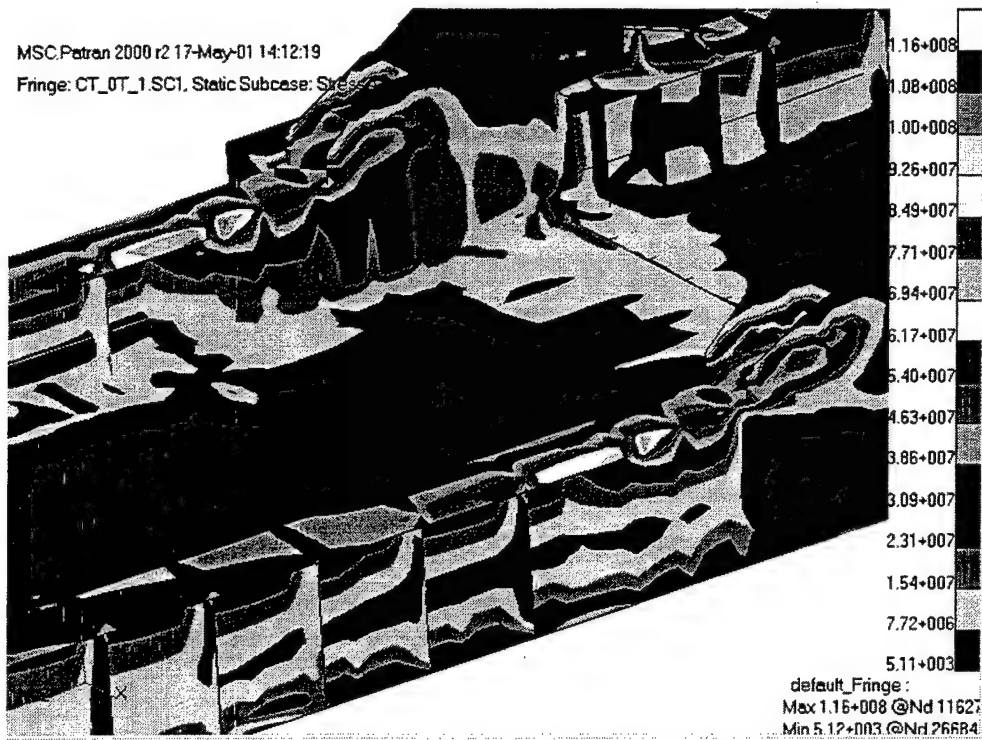


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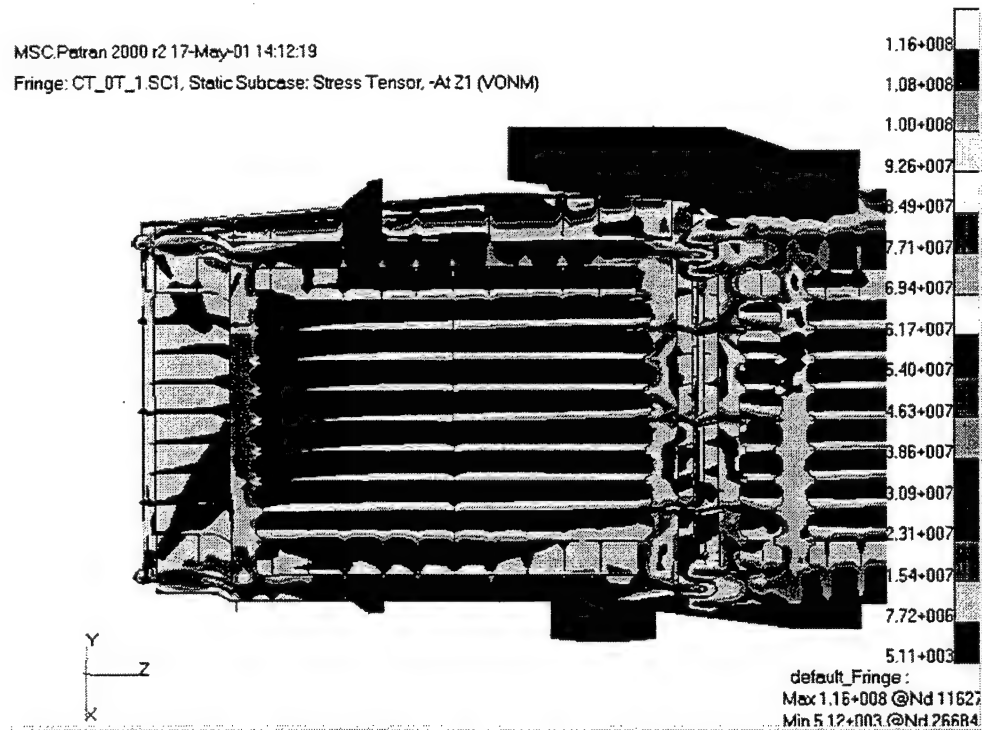
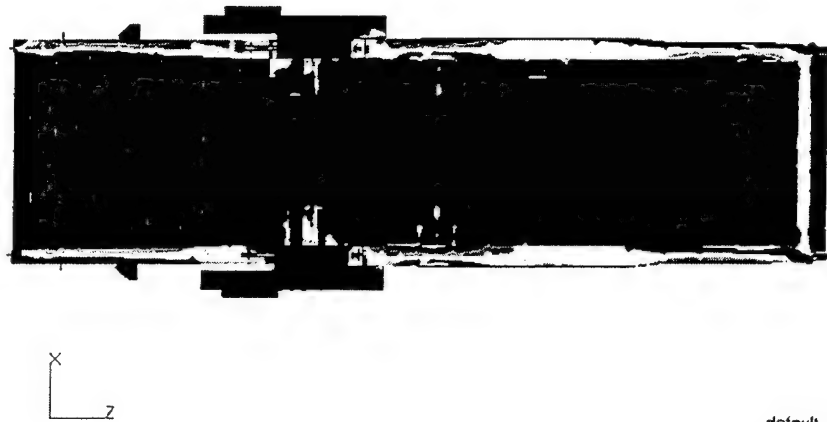


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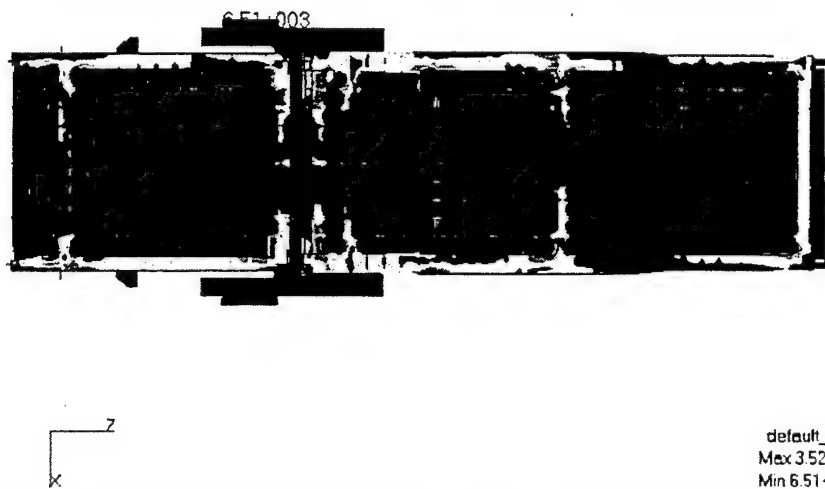
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Figure 105. Cape T (top view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 51.1 ksi
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Figure 106. Cape T (bottom view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 51.1 ksi
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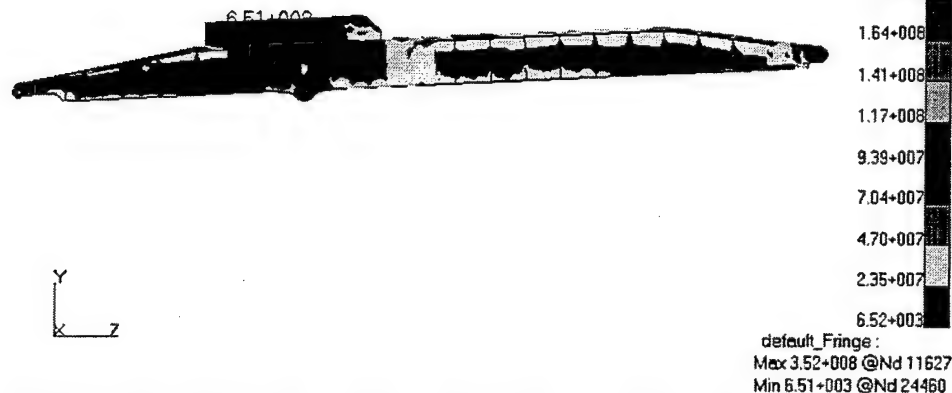


Figure 107. Cape T (left view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 51.1 ksi
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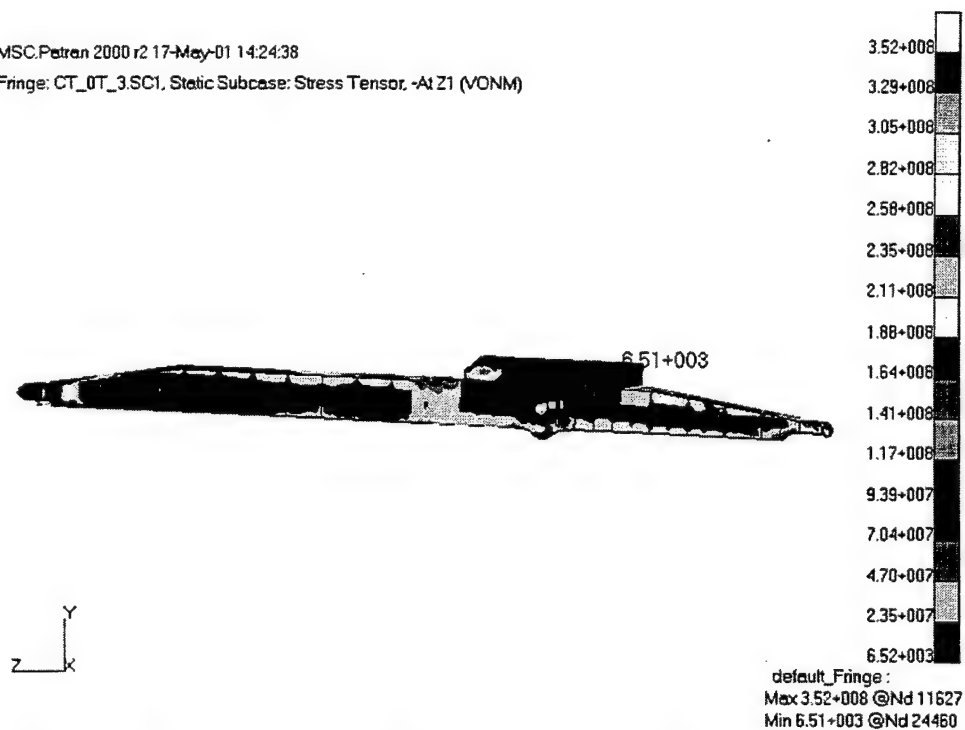


Figure 108. Cape T (right view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 51.1 ksi
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Figure 109. Cape T (close-up) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 51.1 ksi
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Figure 110. Cape T (close-up) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 51.1 ksi
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Figure 111. Cape T (top view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 49.9 ksi
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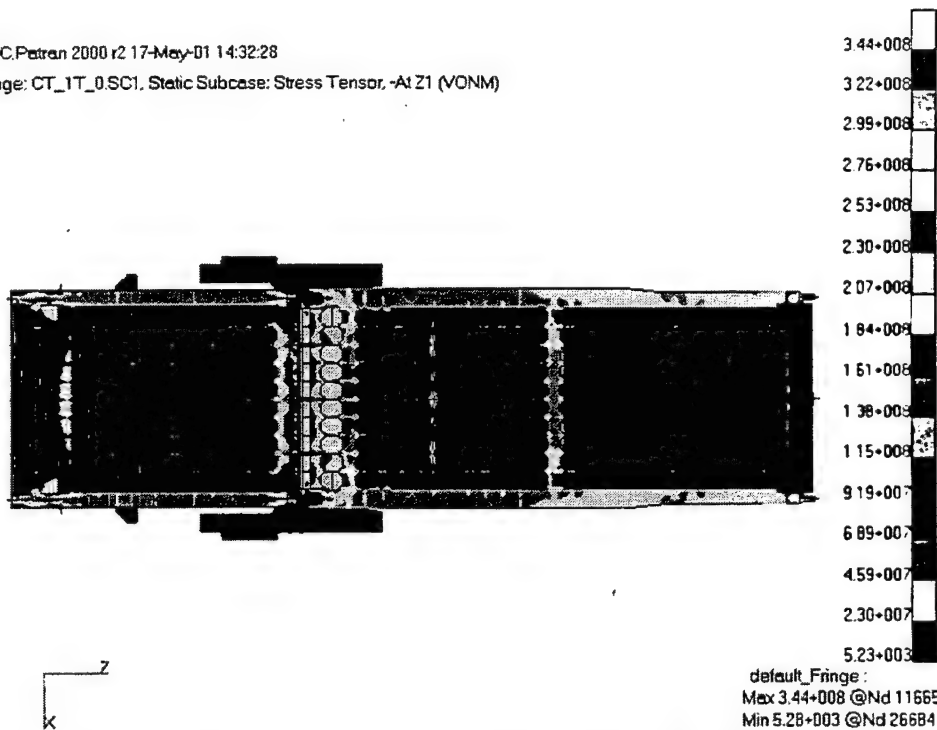
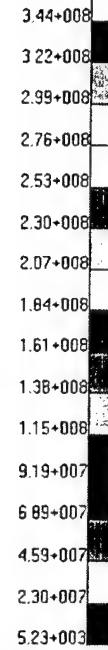


Figure 112. Cape T (bottom view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 49.9 ksi
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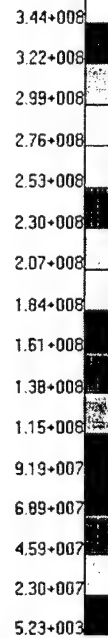
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Figure 113. Cape T (left view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 49.9 ksi
 (Inertia Loading, No Twist, One Tank)

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Figure 114. Cape T (right view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 49.9 ksi
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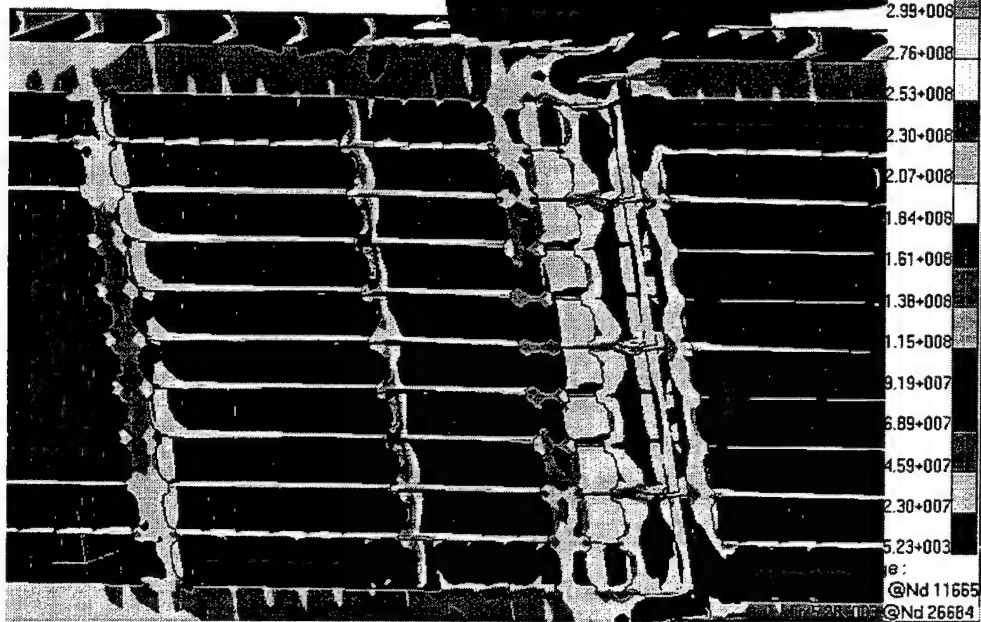


Figure 115. Cape T (close-up) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 49.9 ksi
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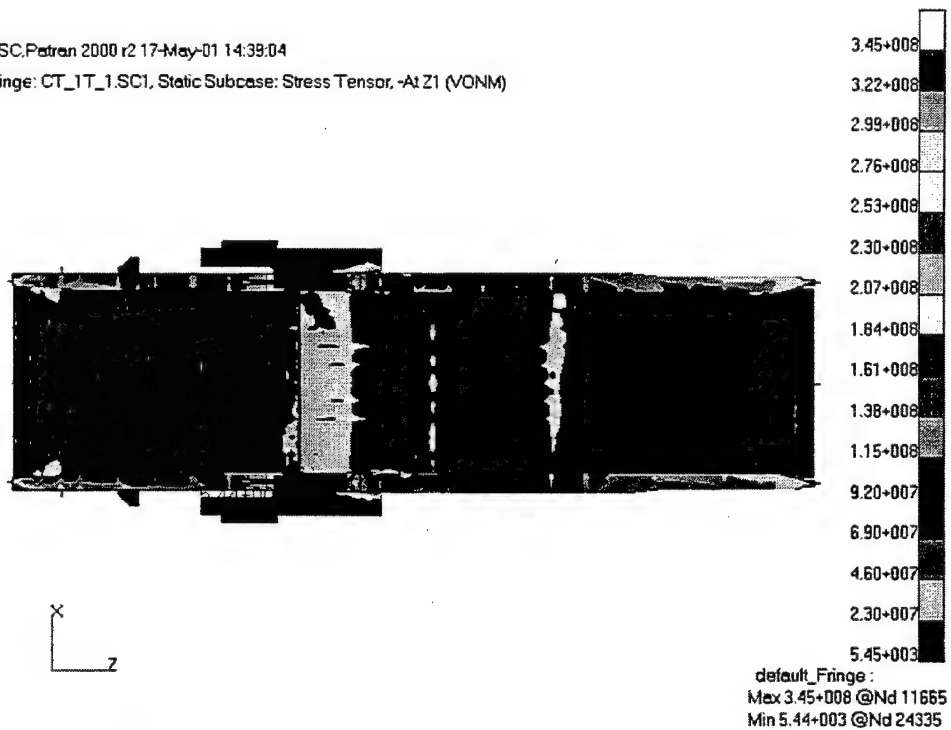


Figure 116. Cape T (top view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 50.1 ksi
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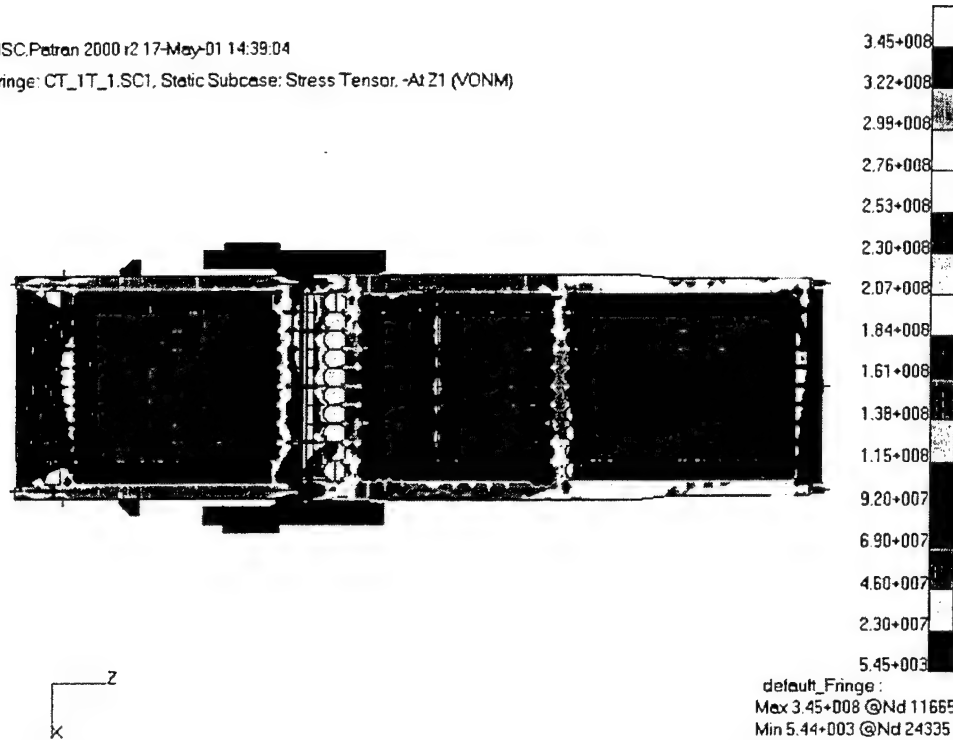


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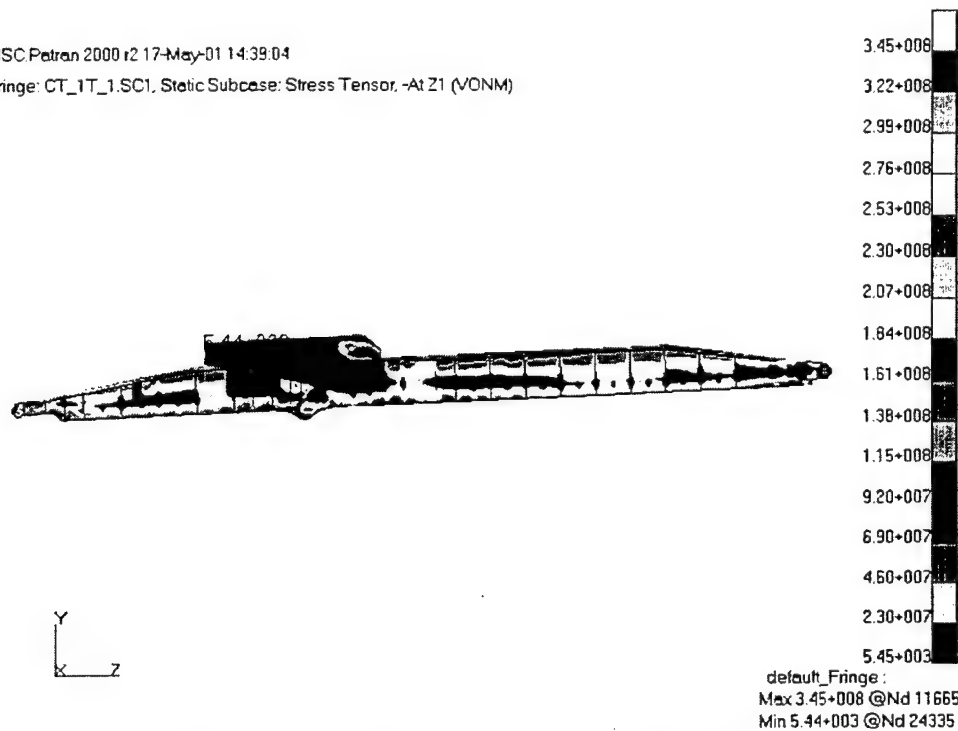


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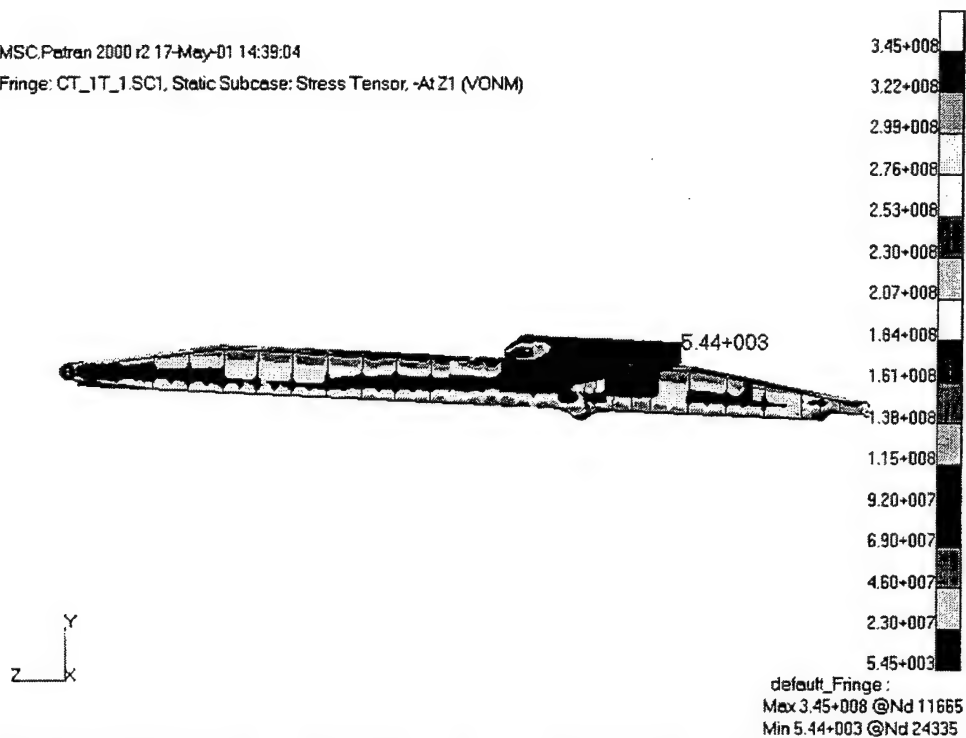


Figure 119. Cape T (right view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 50.1 ksi
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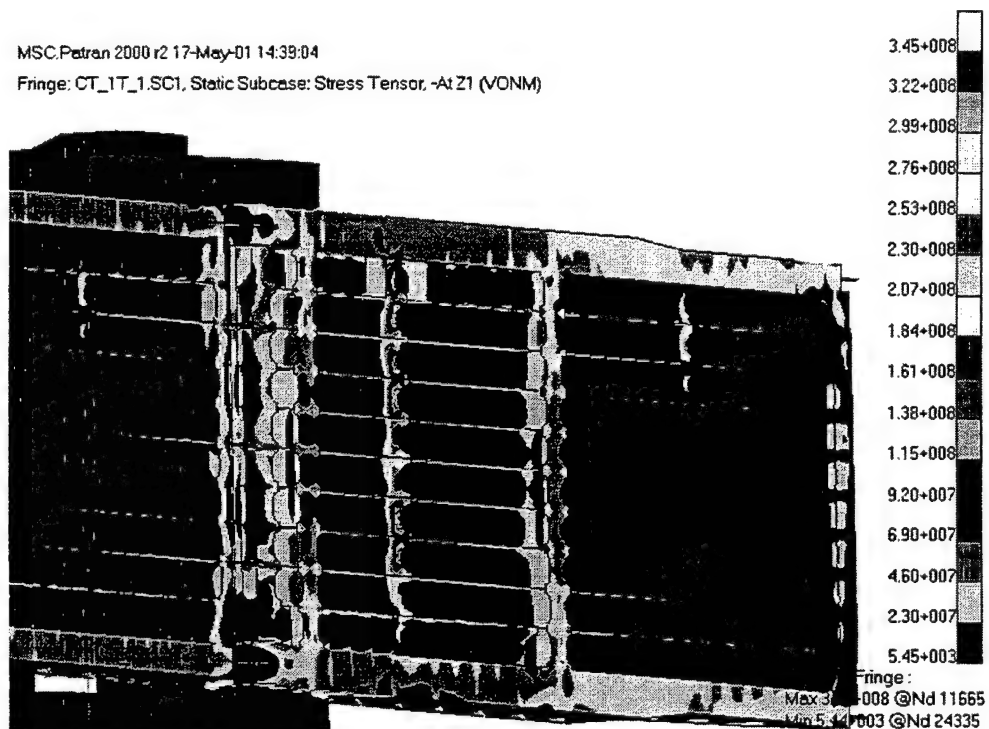


Figure 120. Cape T (close-up) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 50.1 ksi
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Figure 121. Cape T (top view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 70.3 ksi
 (Inertia Loading, 3 Degree Twist, One Tank)

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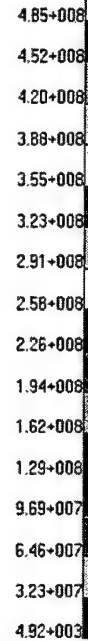


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Figure 122. Cape T (bottom view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 70.3 ksi
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Figure 123. Cape T (left view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 70.3 ksi
(Inertia Loading, 3 Degree Twist, One Tank)

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Figure 124. Cape T (right view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 70.3 ksi
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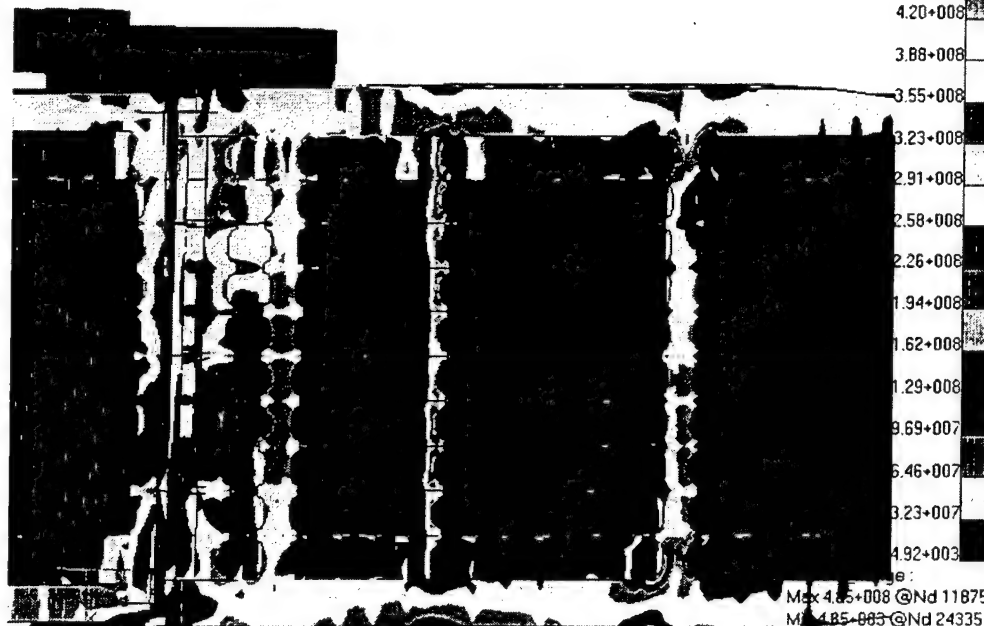


Figure 125. Cape T (close-up) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 70.3 ksi
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Figure 126. Cape T (top view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 51.6 ksi
 (Inertia Loading, No Twist, Two Tanks)

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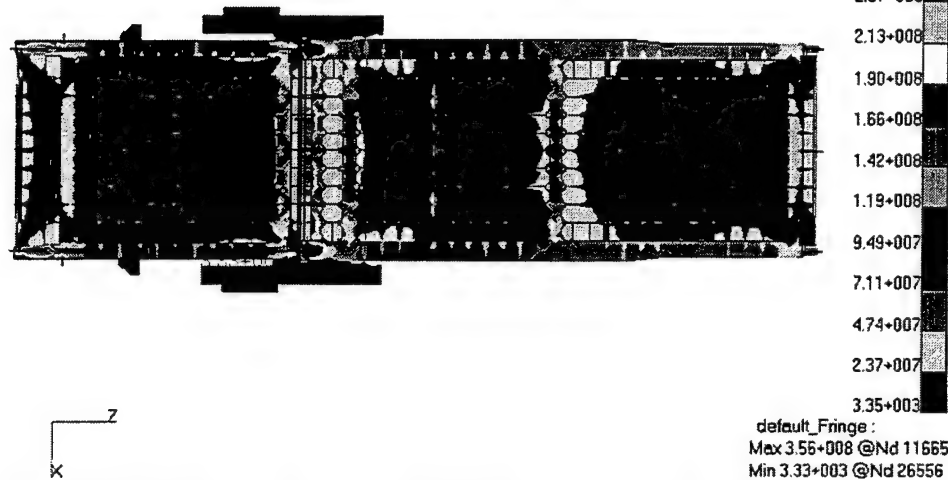


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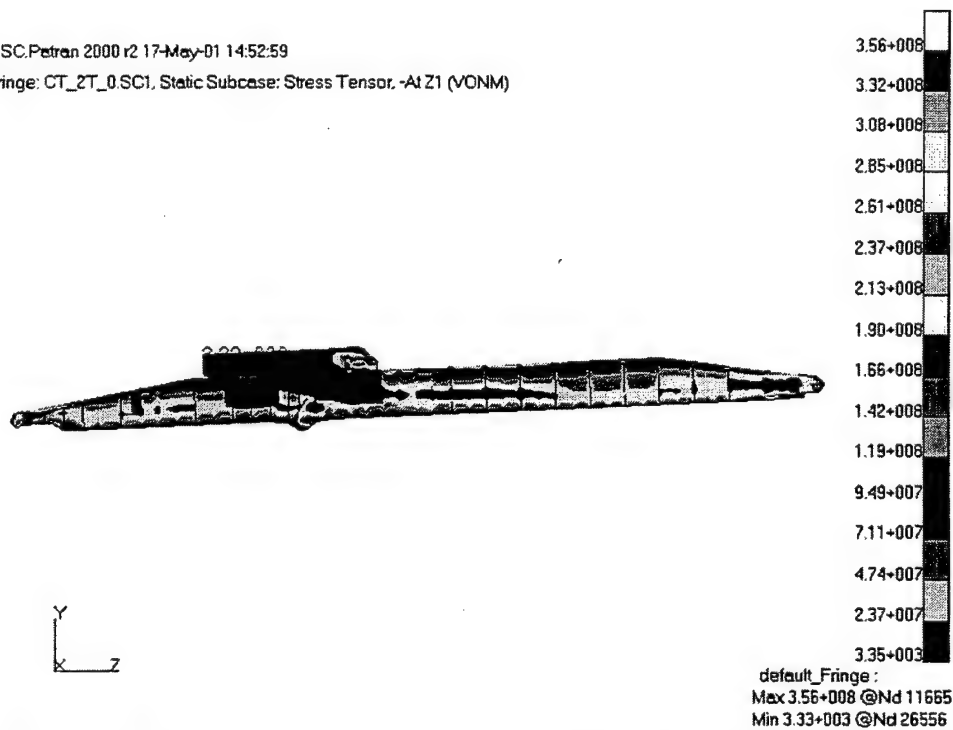


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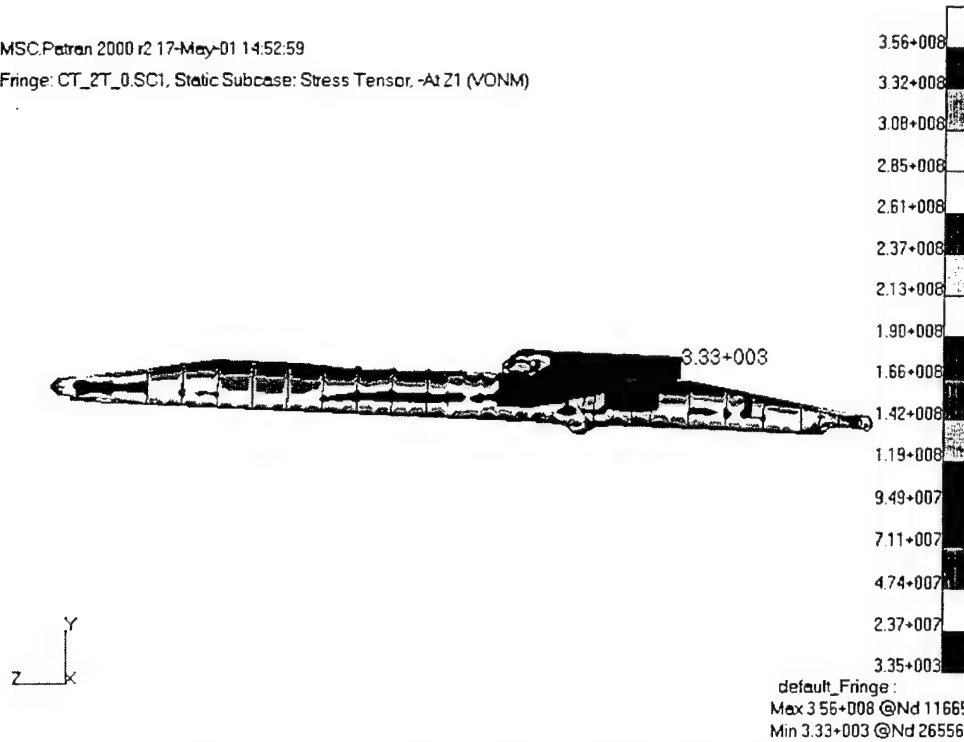


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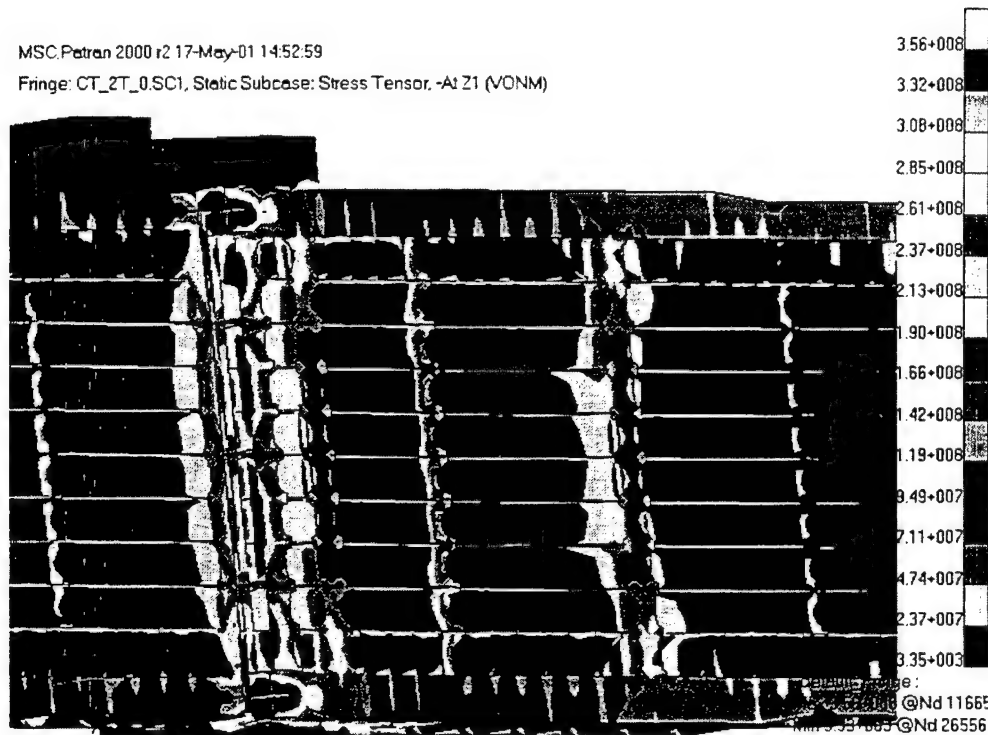


Figure 130. Cape T (close-up) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 51.6 ksi
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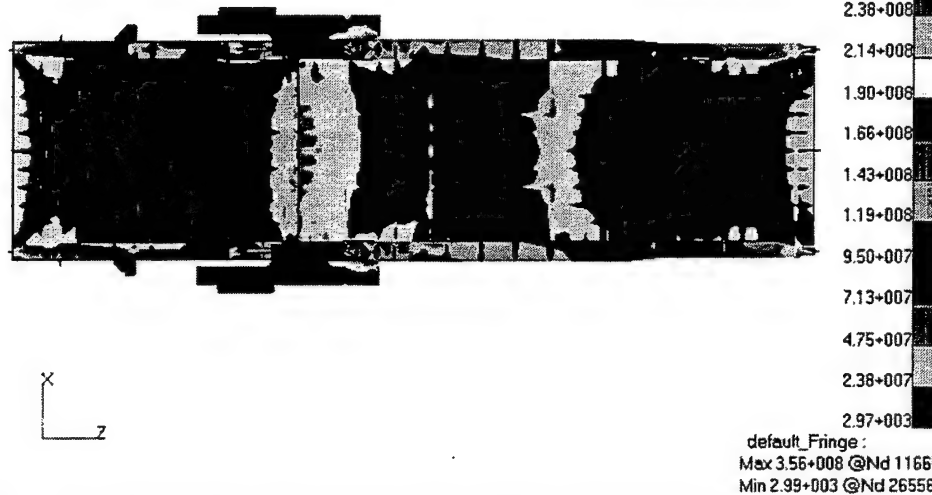


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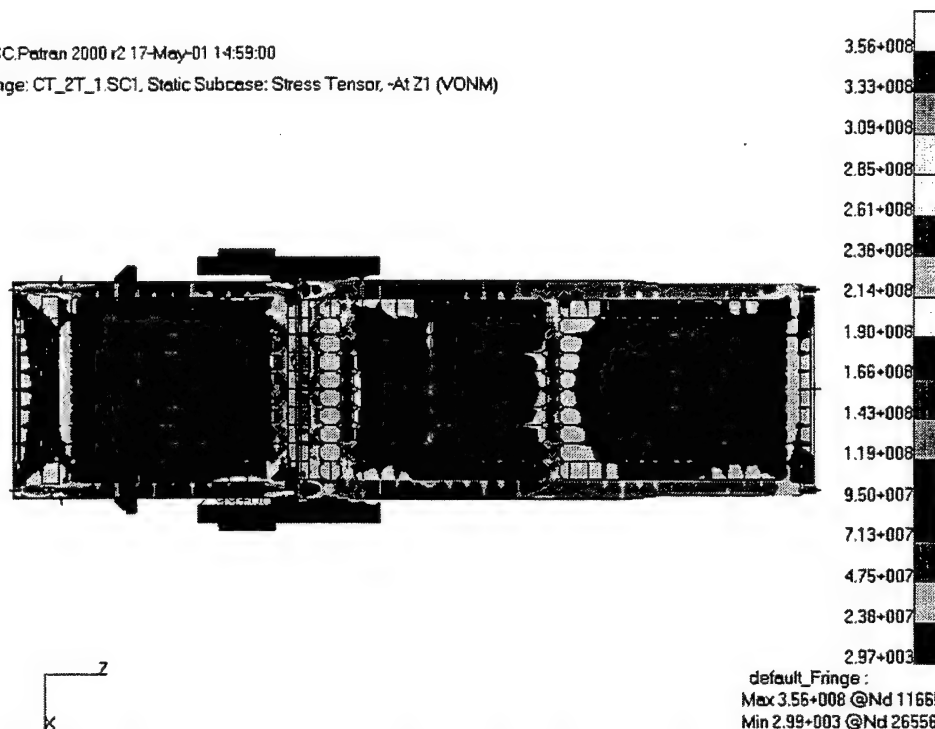
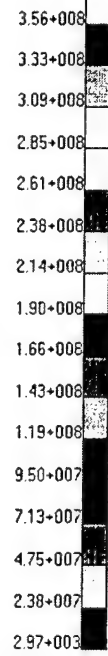


Figure 132. Cape T (bottom view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 51.6 ksi
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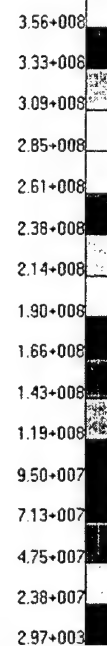
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Figure 133. Cape T (left view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 51.6 ksi
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Figure 134. Cape T (right view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 51.6 ksi
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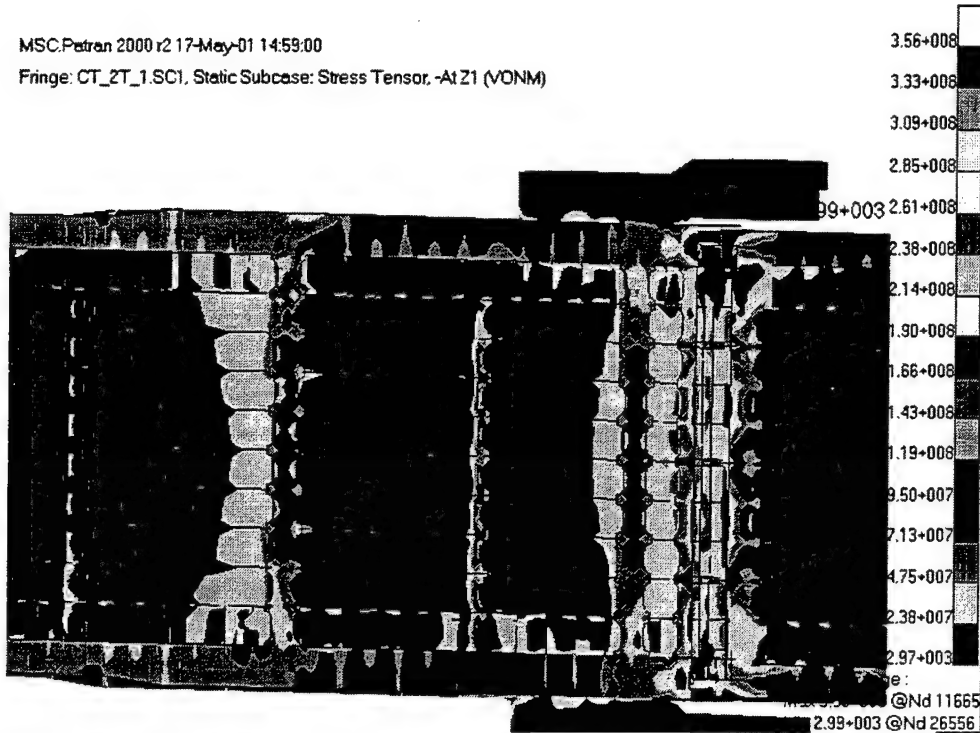


Figure 135. Cape T (close-up) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 51.6 ksi
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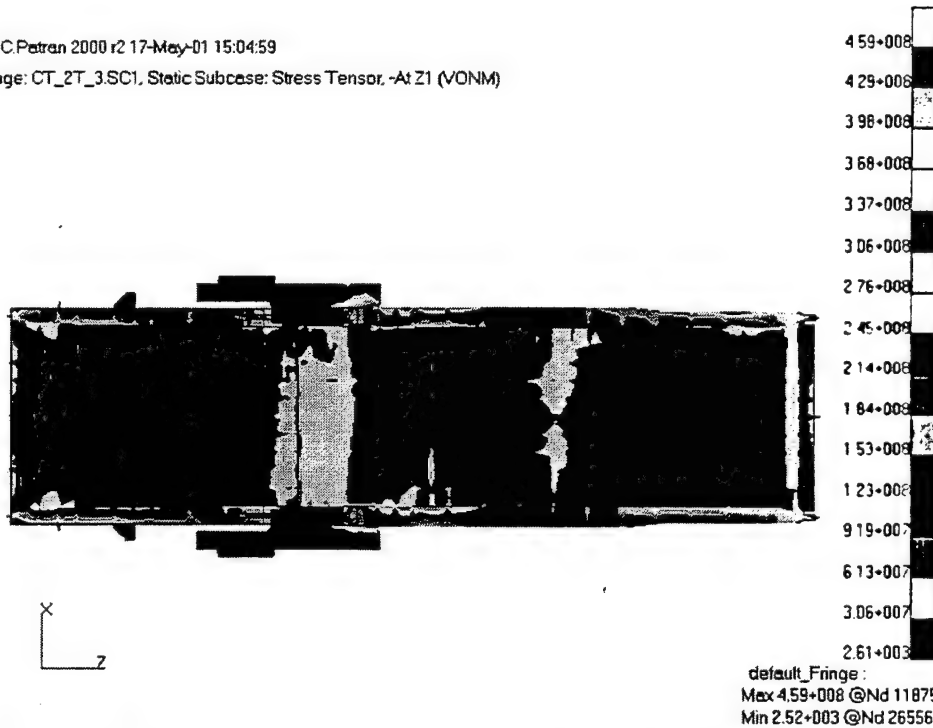


Figure 136. Cape T (top view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 66.6 ksi
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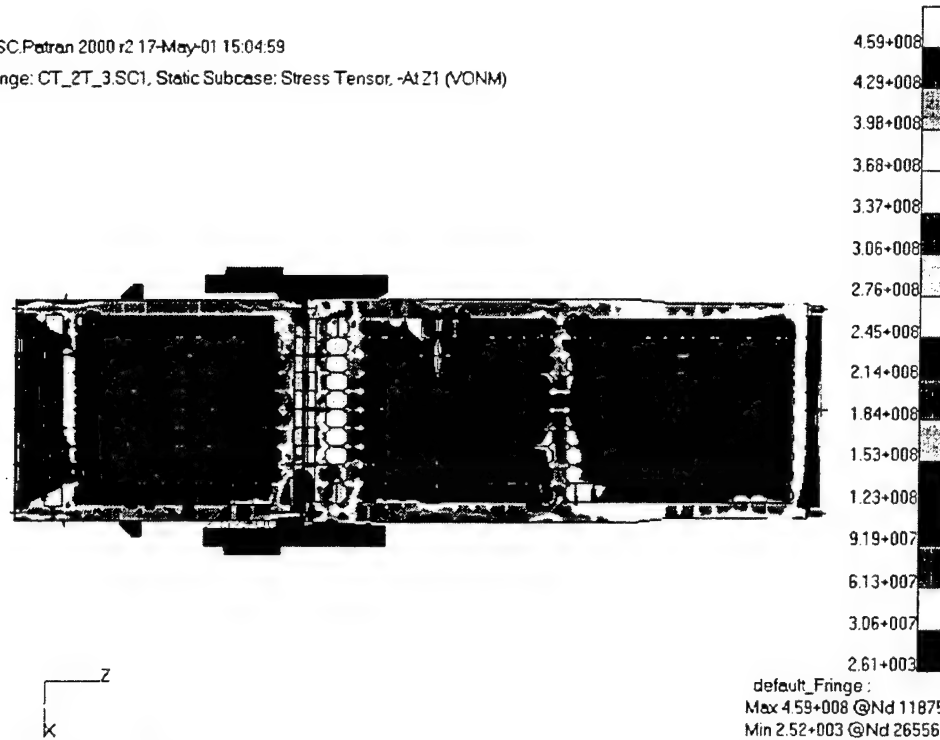


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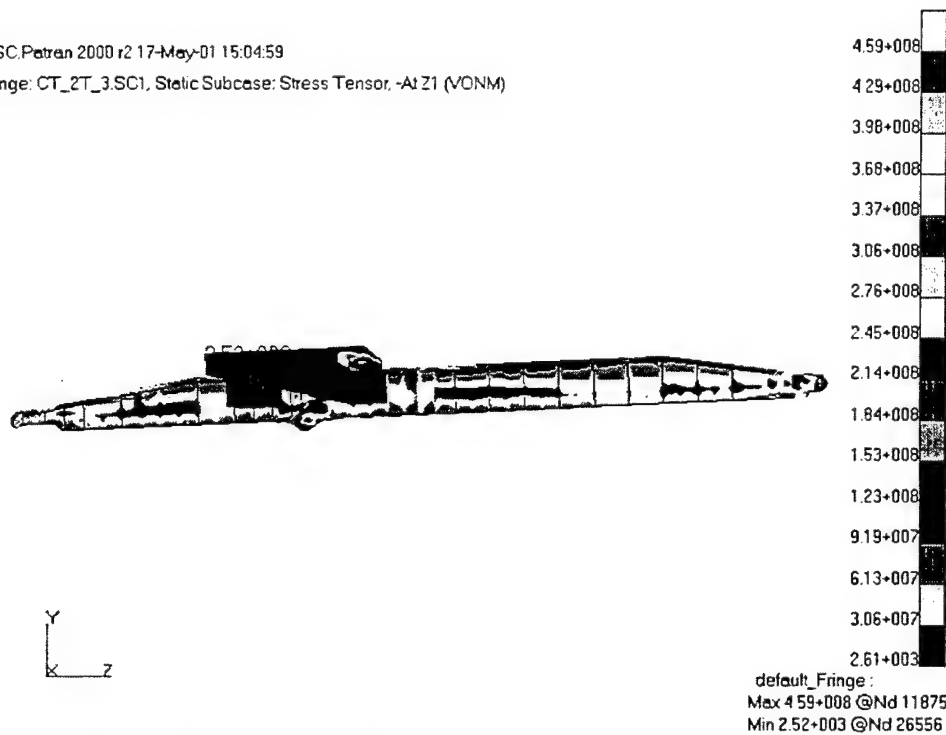


Figure 138. Cape T (left view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 66.6 ksi
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Figure 139. Cape T (right view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 66.6 ksi
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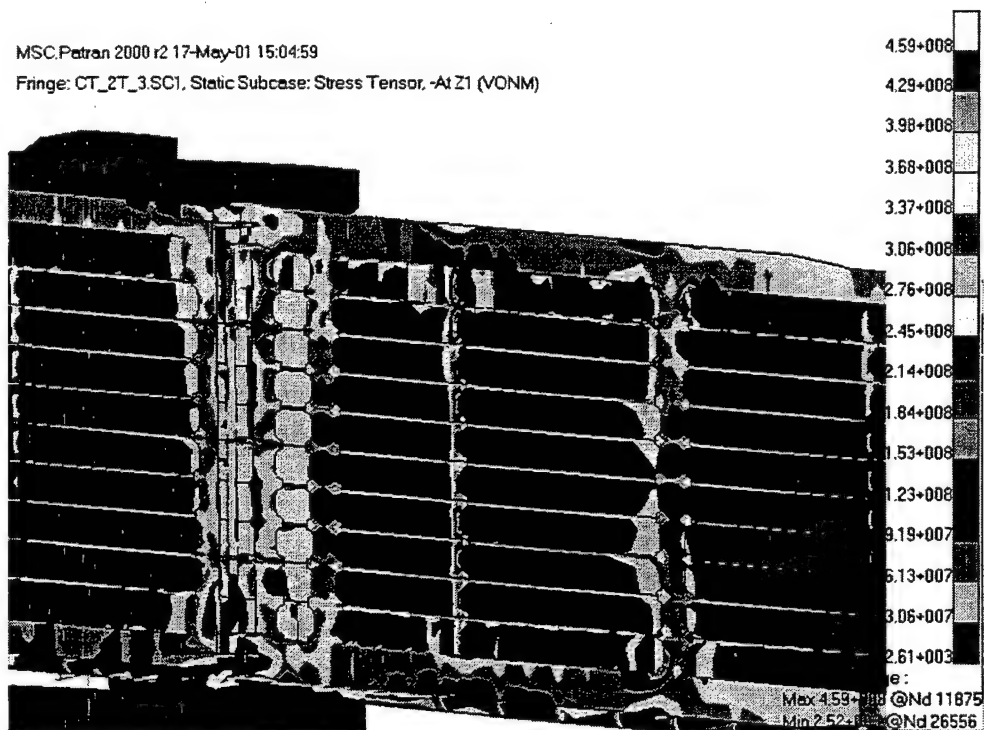


Figure 140. Cape T (close-up) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 66.6 ksi
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3. Cape H Stern Ramp

The Cape H stern ramp analyses were conducted with boundary conditions similar to the Cape T and LMSR stern ramps (restrained in the three translational DOF at the ship end and the vertical DOF at the RRDF end). The Cape H ramp is an asymmetric design that is angled when deployed for RORO operations. Twist angles between the RRDF and ship of zero, one, and three degrees were considered. Maximum von Mises stress contour plots were generated with PATRAN and are displayed in Figures 141 through 192.

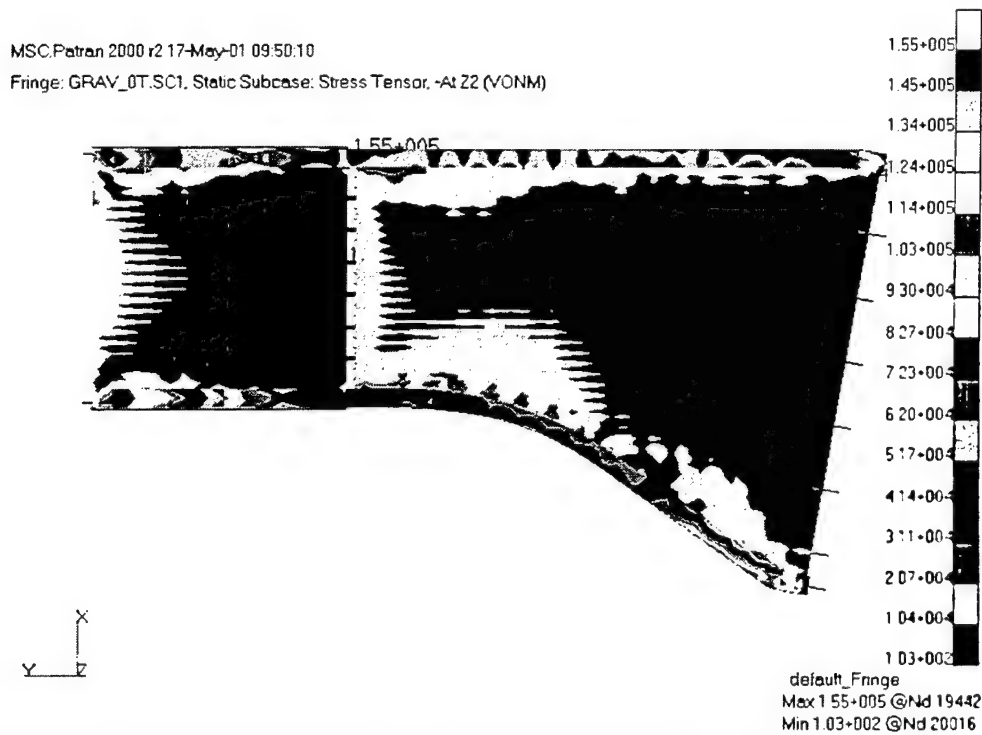


Figure 141. Cape H (top view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 22.5 ksi (Inertia Loading, No Twist, No Tanks)

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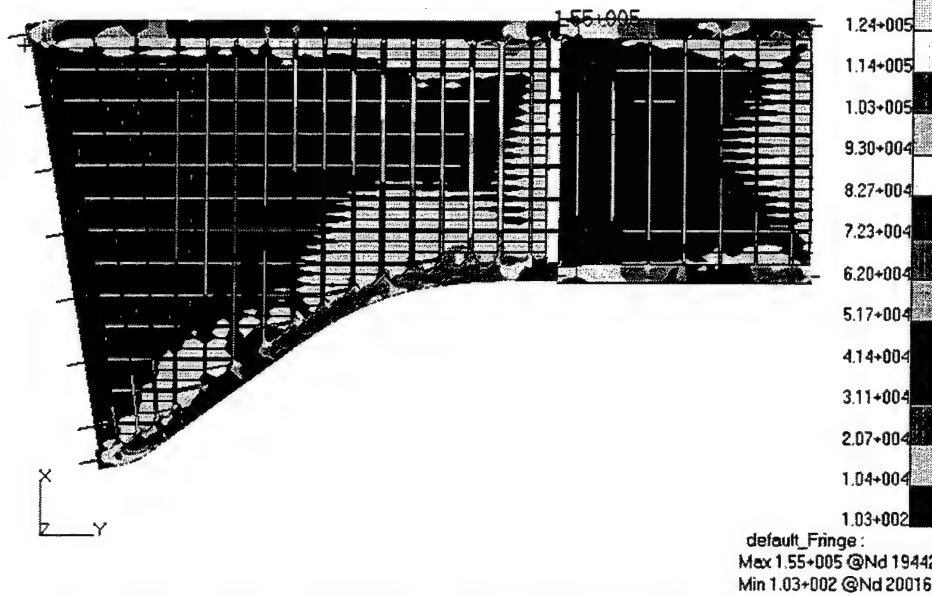


Figure 142. Cape H (bottom view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 22.5 ksi
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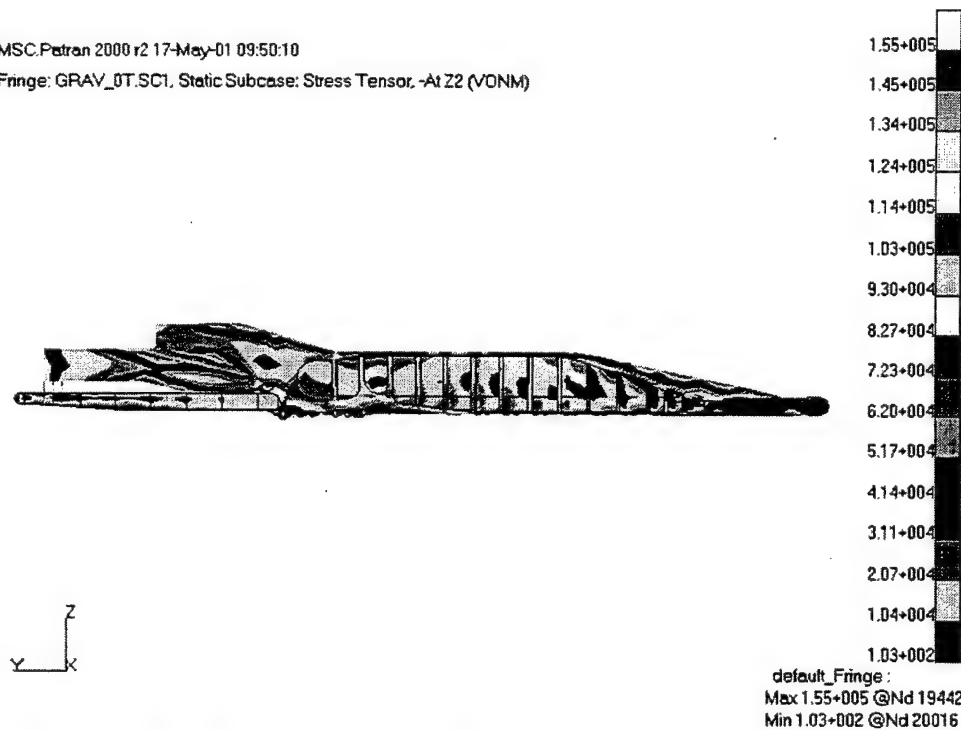
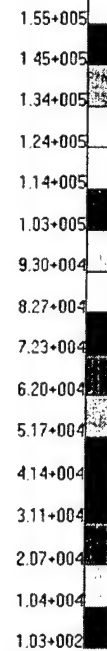
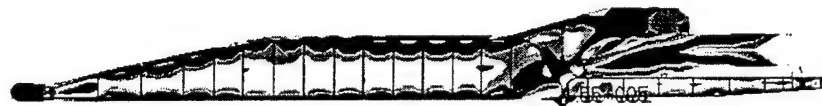


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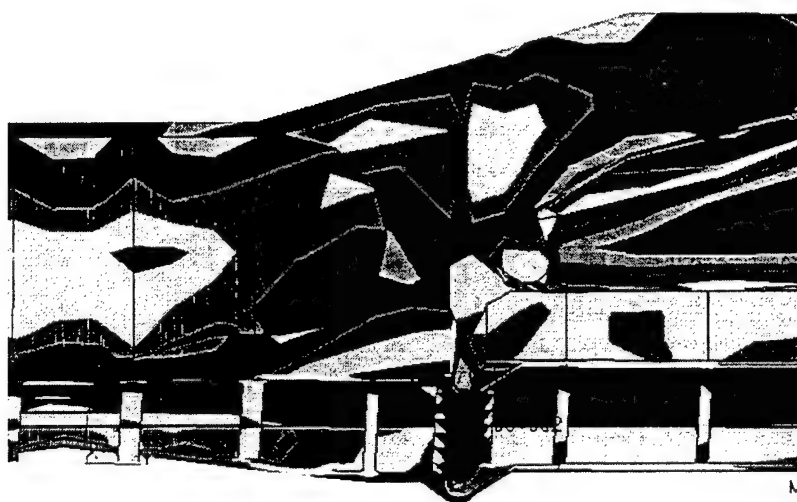
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Figure 144. Cape H (right view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 22.5 ksi
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Figure 145. Cape H (close-up) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 22.5 ksi
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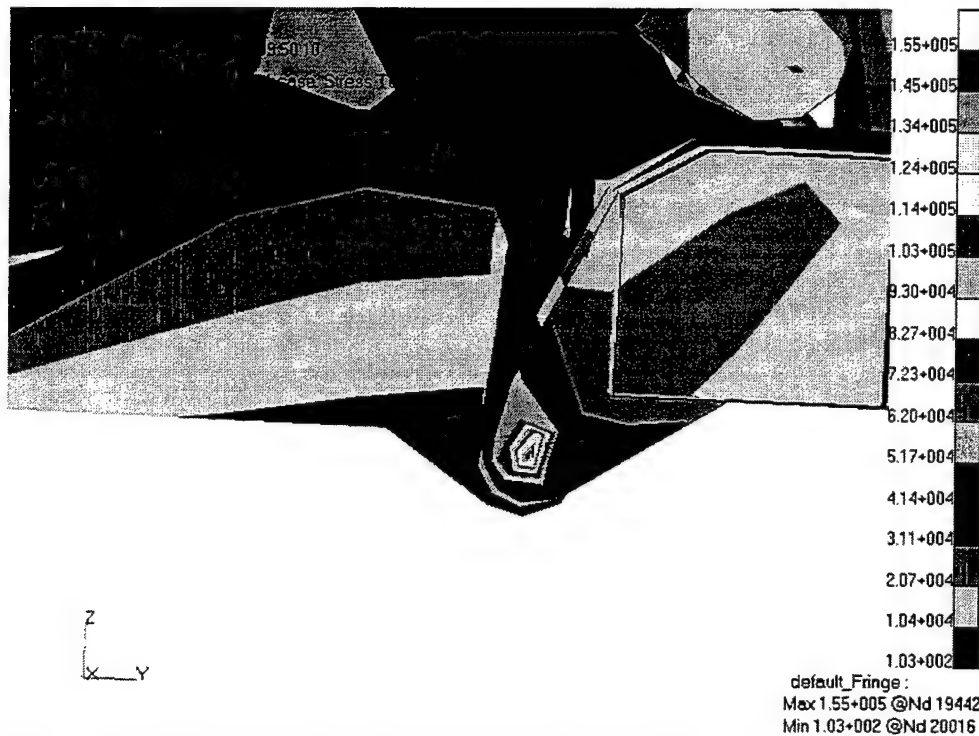


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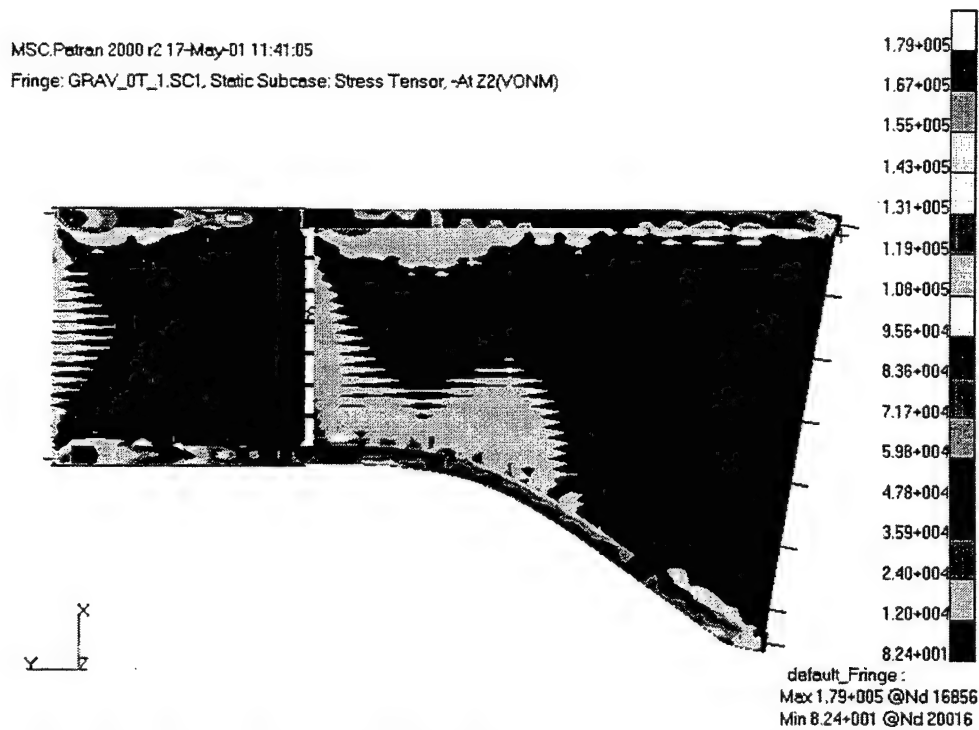


Figure 147. Cape H (top view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 26.0 ksi
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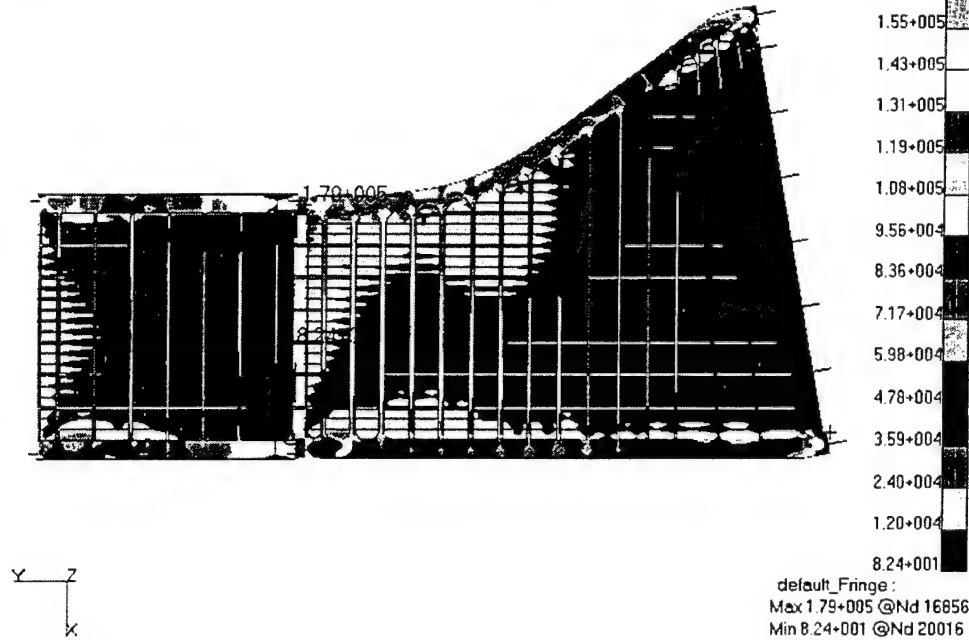


Figure 148. Cape H (bottom view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 26.0 ksi
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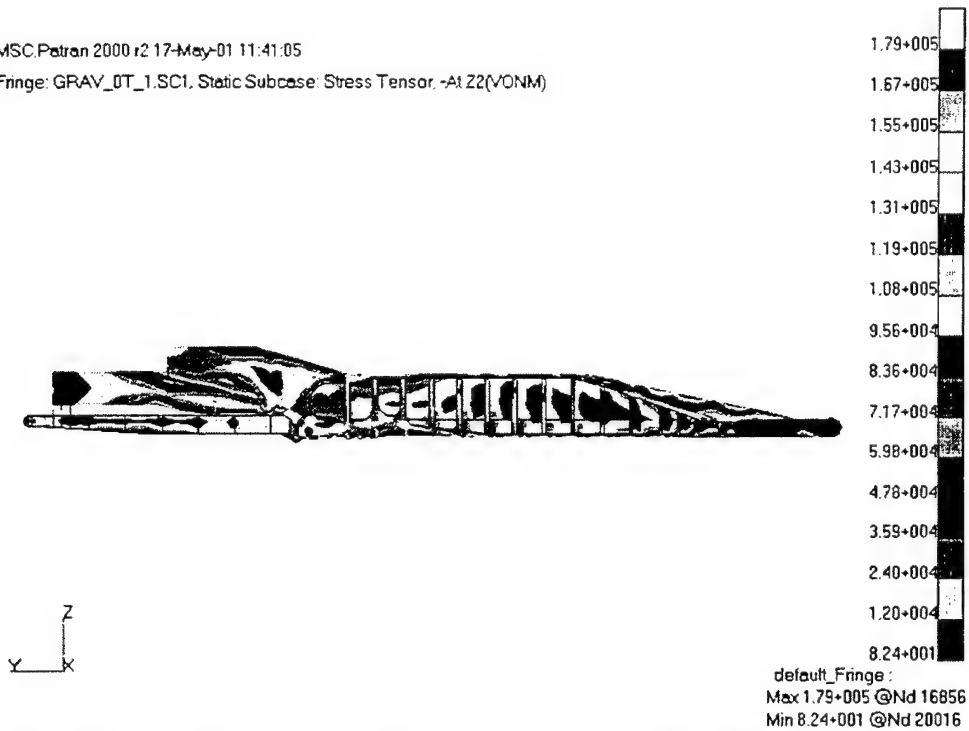


Figure 149. Cape H (left view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 26.0 ksi
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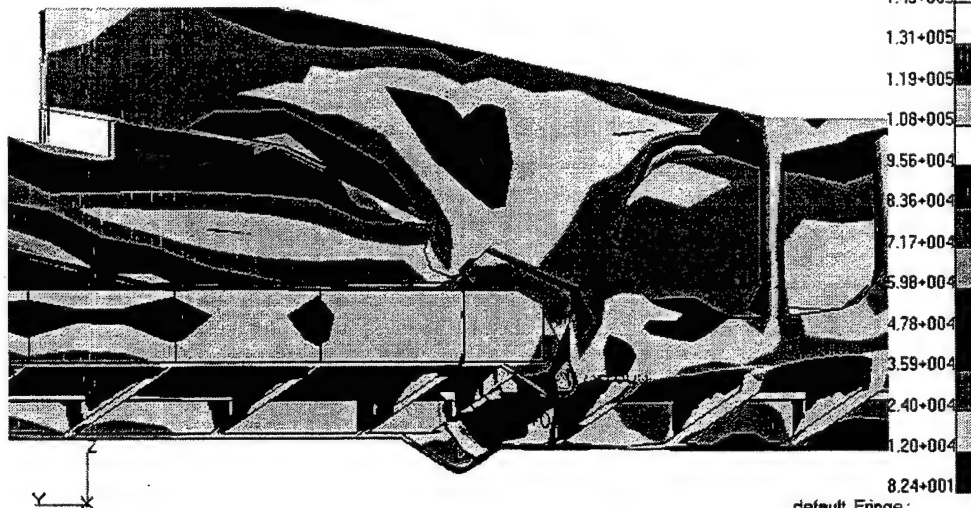
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Figure 150. Cape H (right view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 26.0 ksi
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Figure 151. Cape H (close-up) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 26.0 ksi
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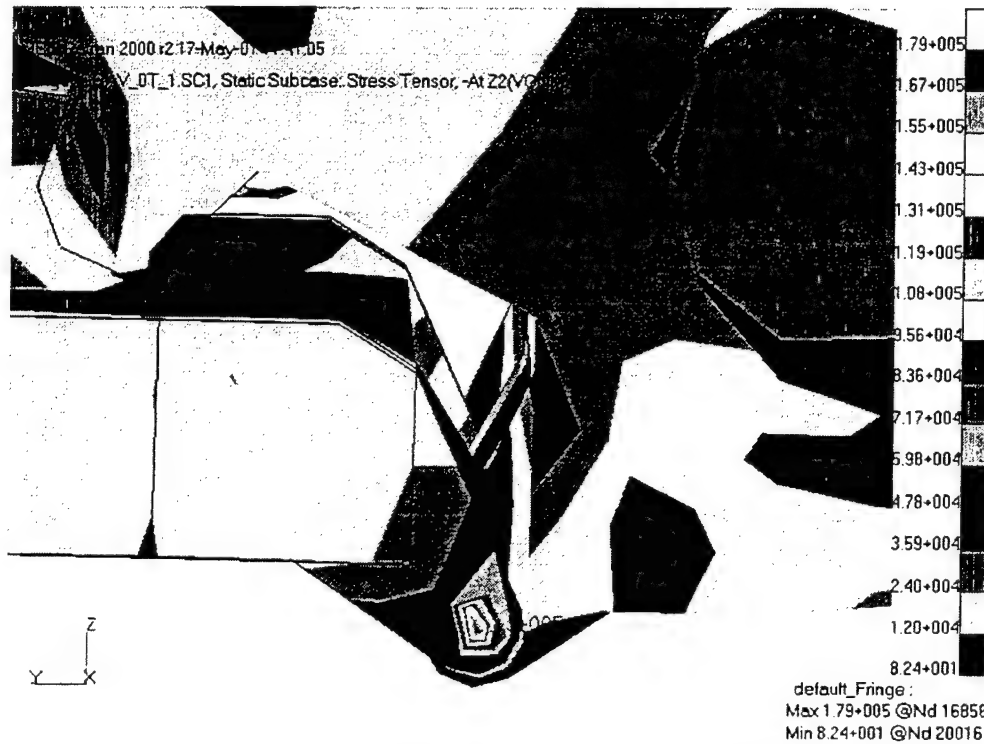


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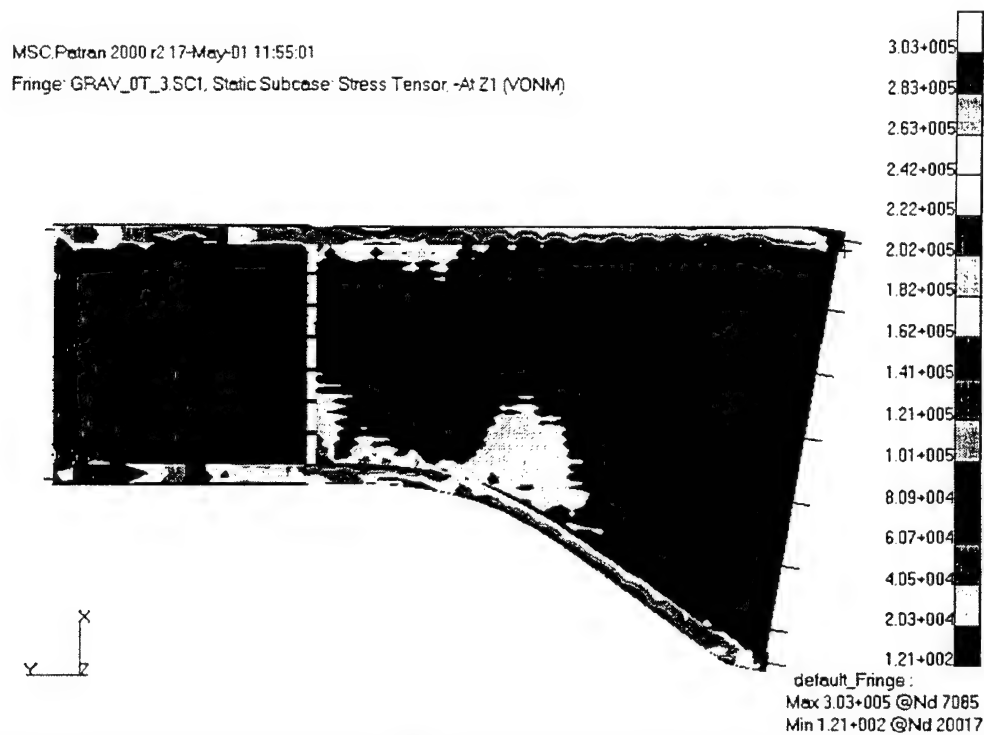


Figure 153. Cape H (top view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 44.7 ksi
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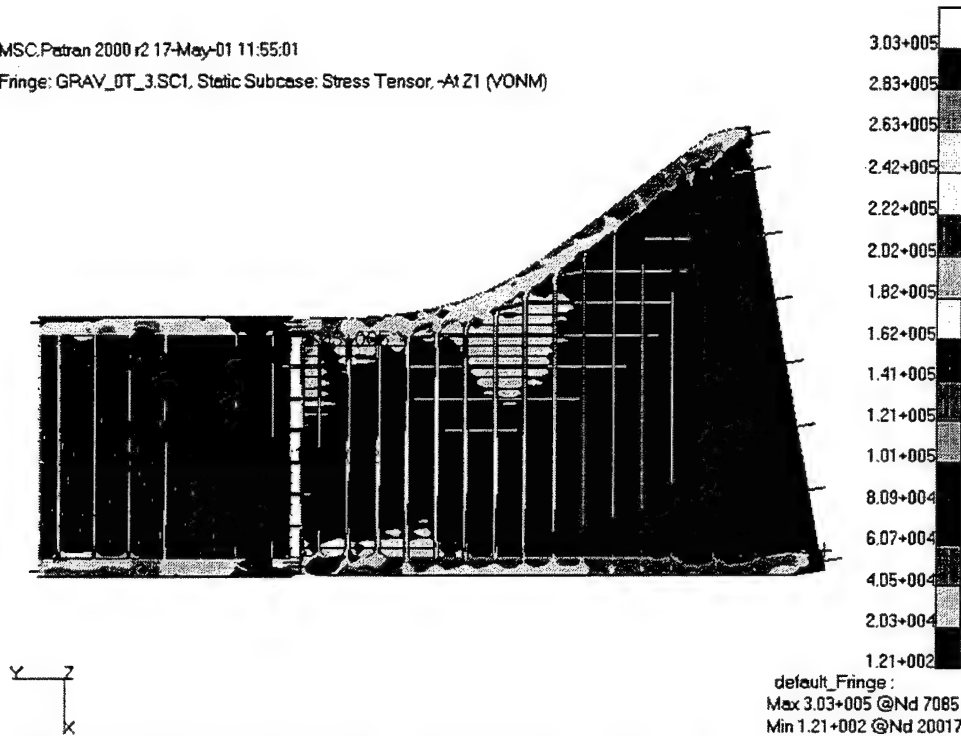


Figure 154. Cape H (bottom view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 44.7 ksi
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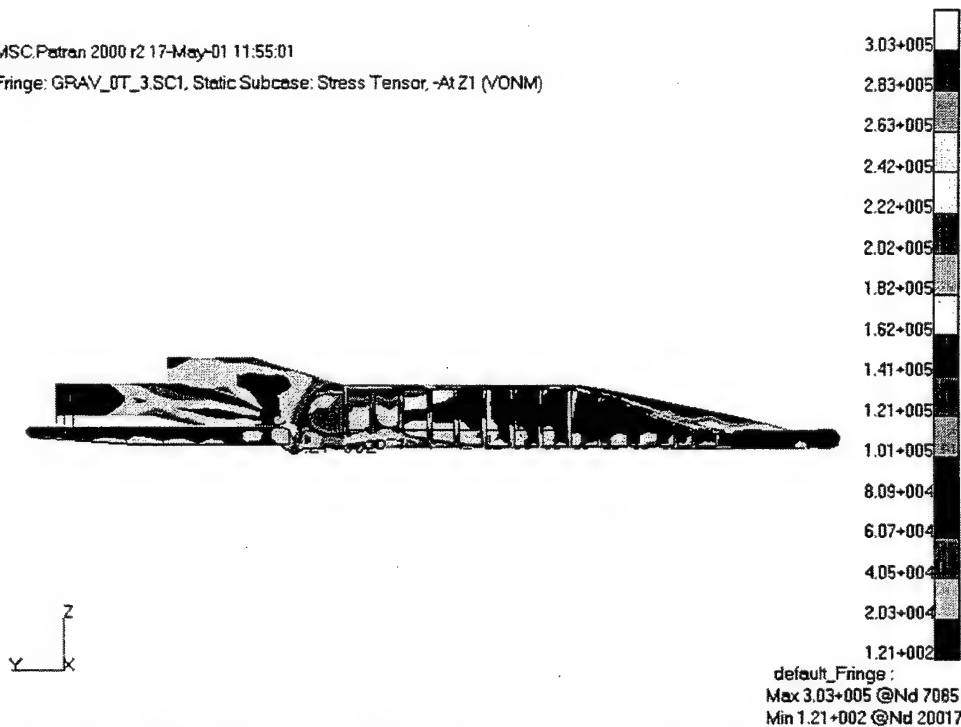


Figure 155. Cape H (left view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 44.7 ksi
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Figure 156. Cape H (right view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 44.7 ksi
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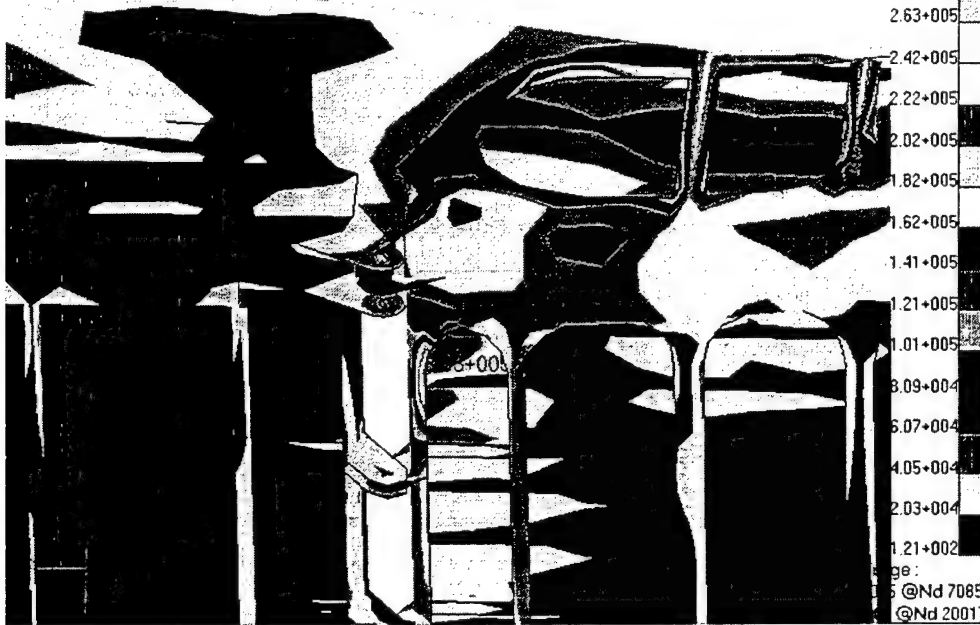


Figure 157. Cape H (close-up) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 44.7 ksi
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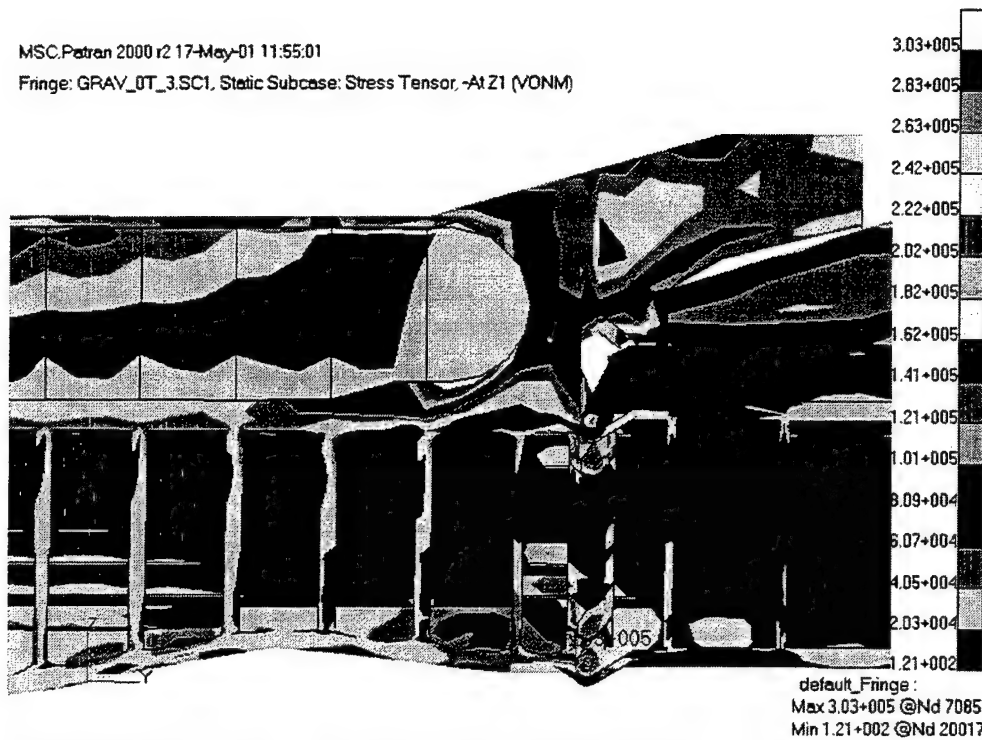


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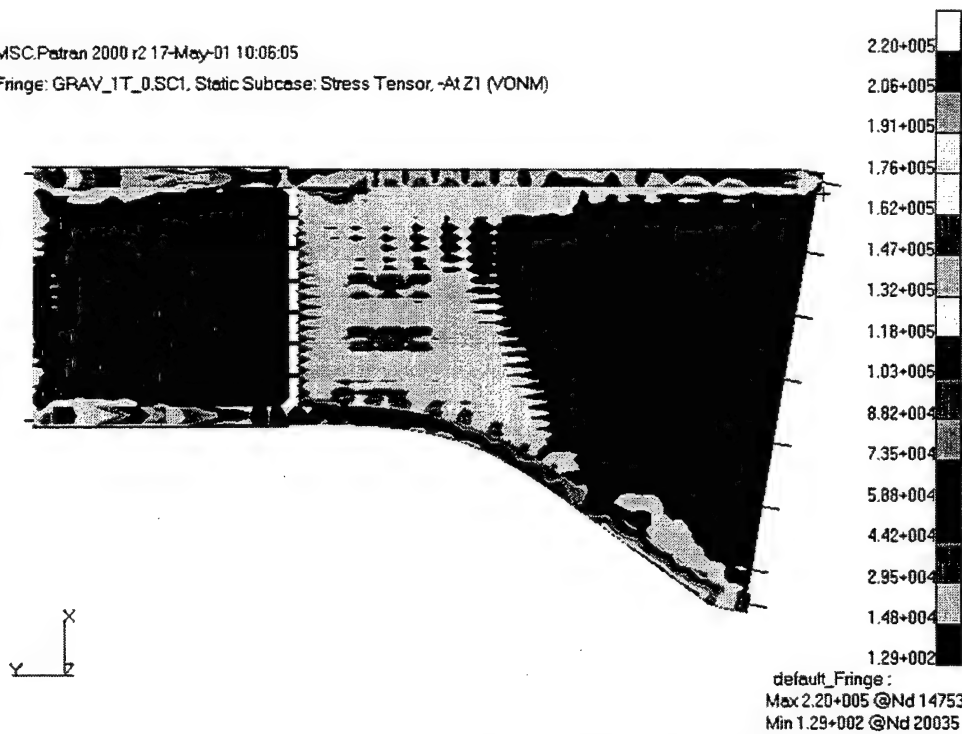


Figure 159. Cape H (top view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 31.9 ksi (Inertia Loading, No Twist, One Tank)

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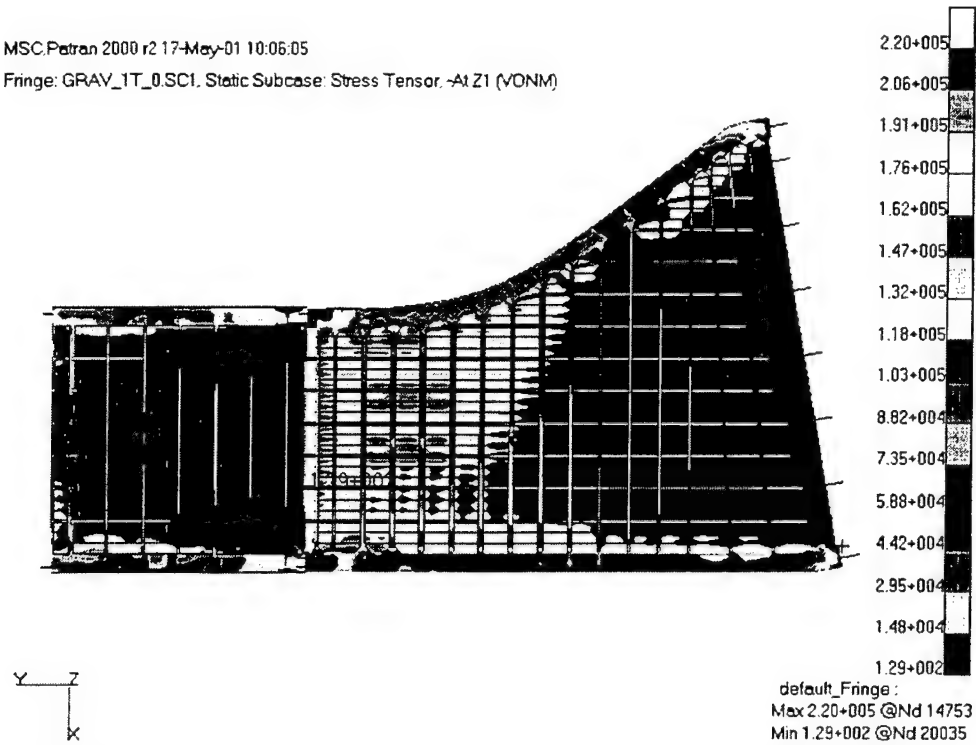


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(Inertia Loading, No Twist, One Tank)

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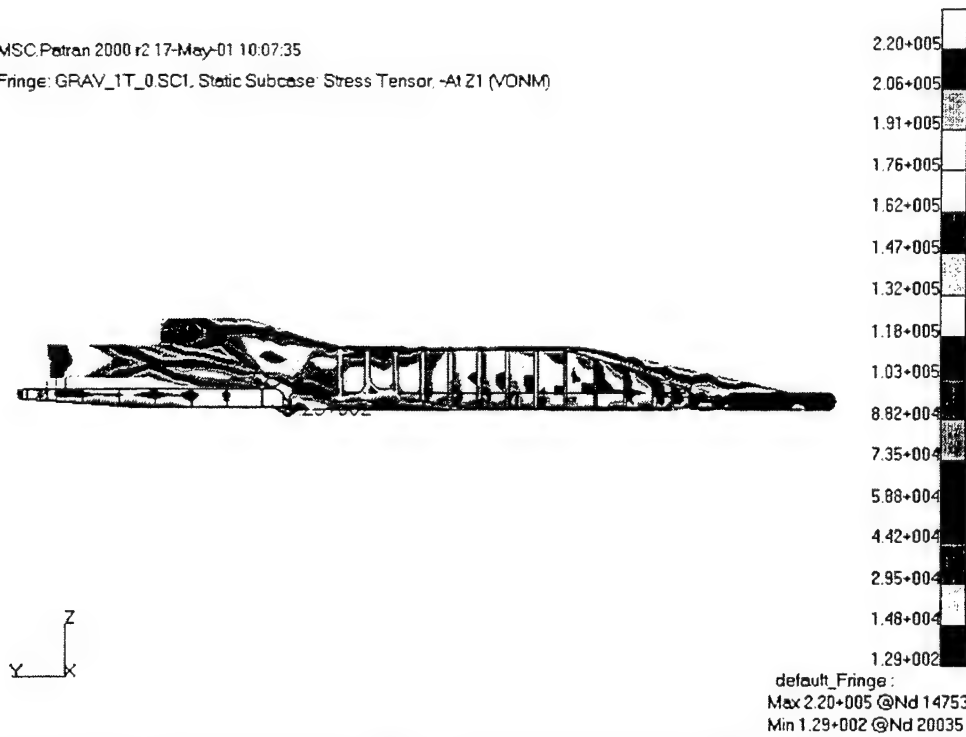
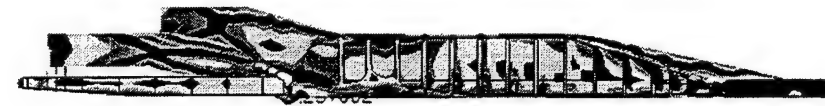


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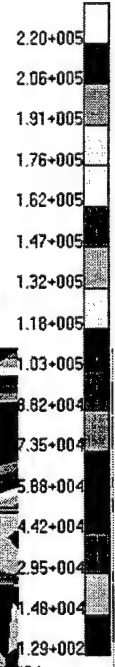
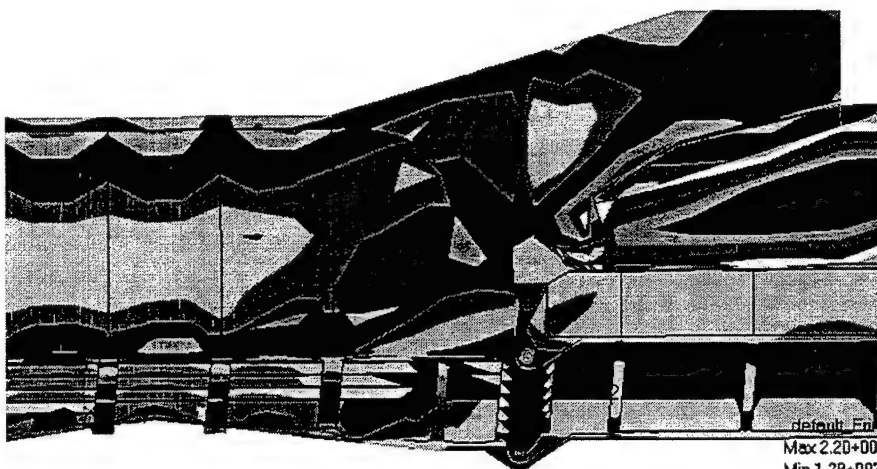
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Figure 163. Cape H (close-up) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 31.9 ksi
 (Inertia Loading, No Twist, One Tank)

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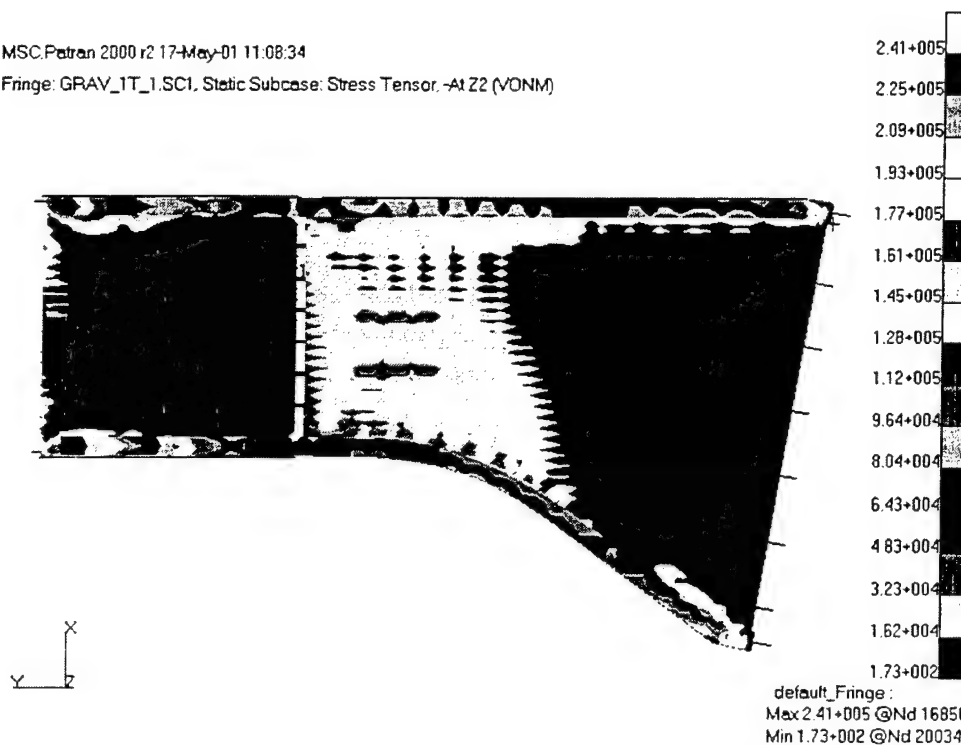


Figure 164. Cape H (top view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 35.0 ksi
(Inertia Loading, 1 Degree Twist, One Tank)

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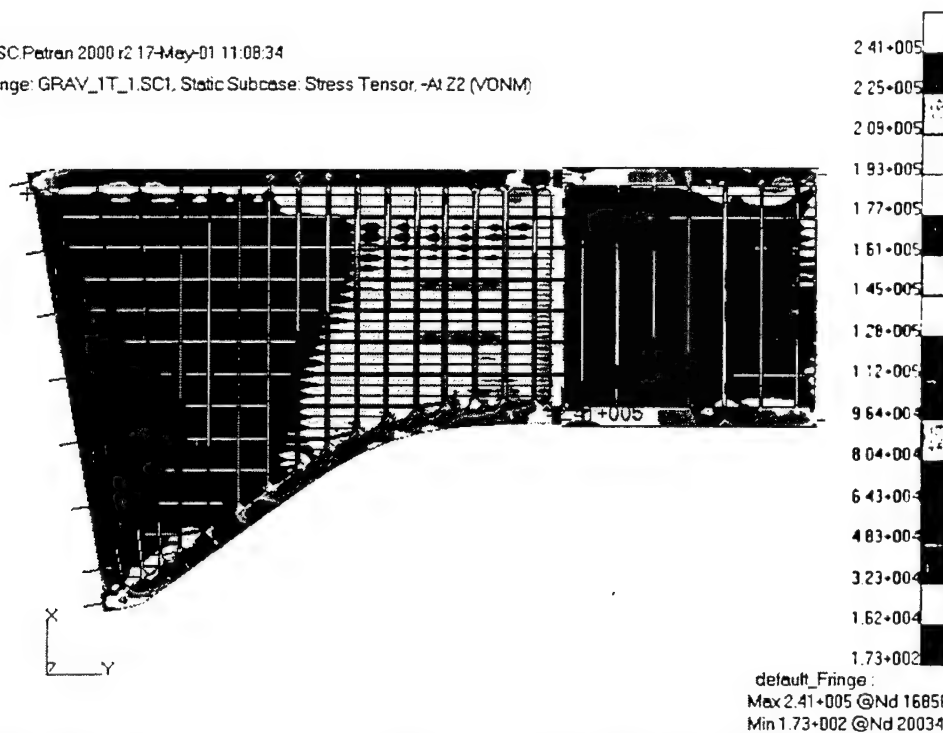
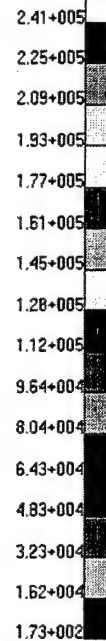


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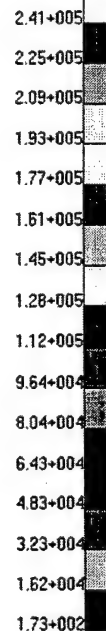
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Figure 166. Cape H (left view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 35.0 ksi
 (Inertia Loading, 1 Degree Twist, One Tank)

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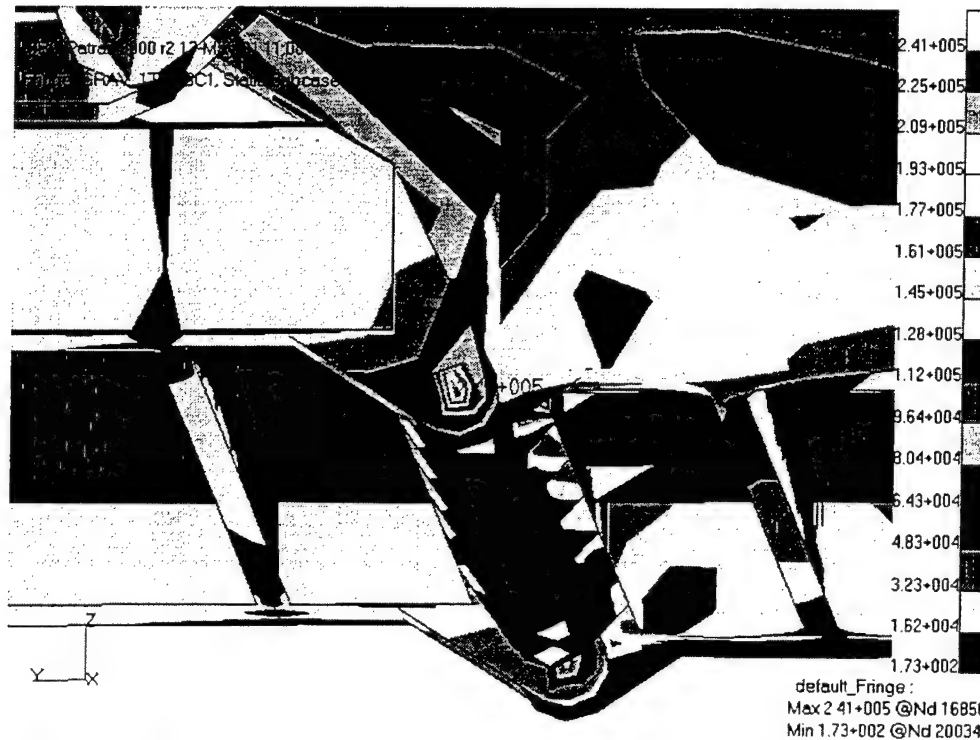


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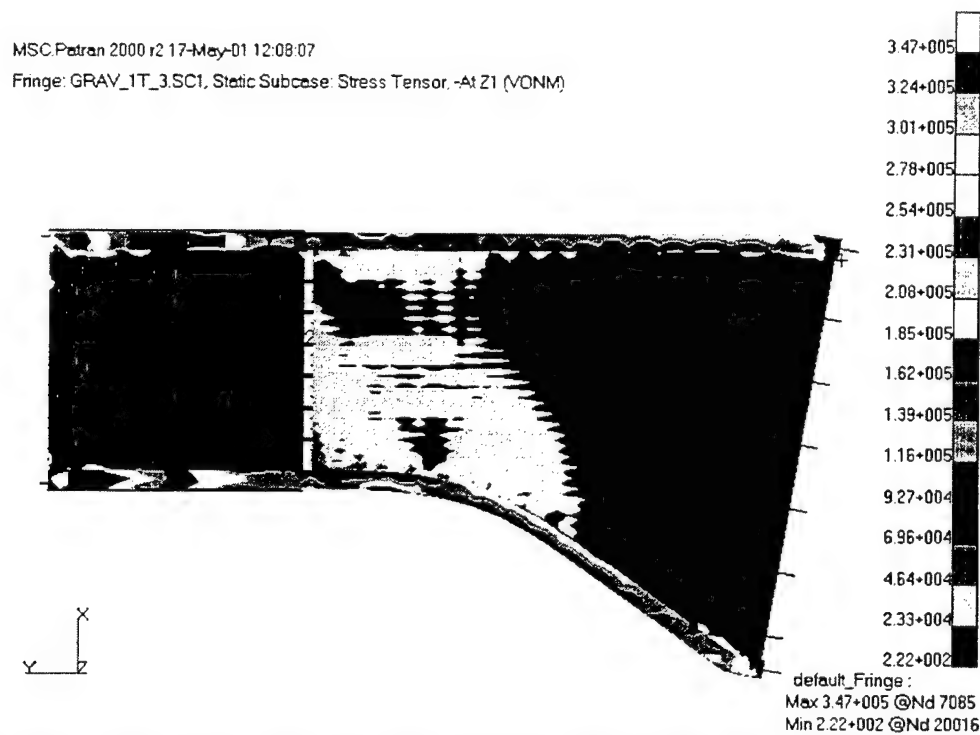


Figure 169. Cape H (top view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 50.3 ksi
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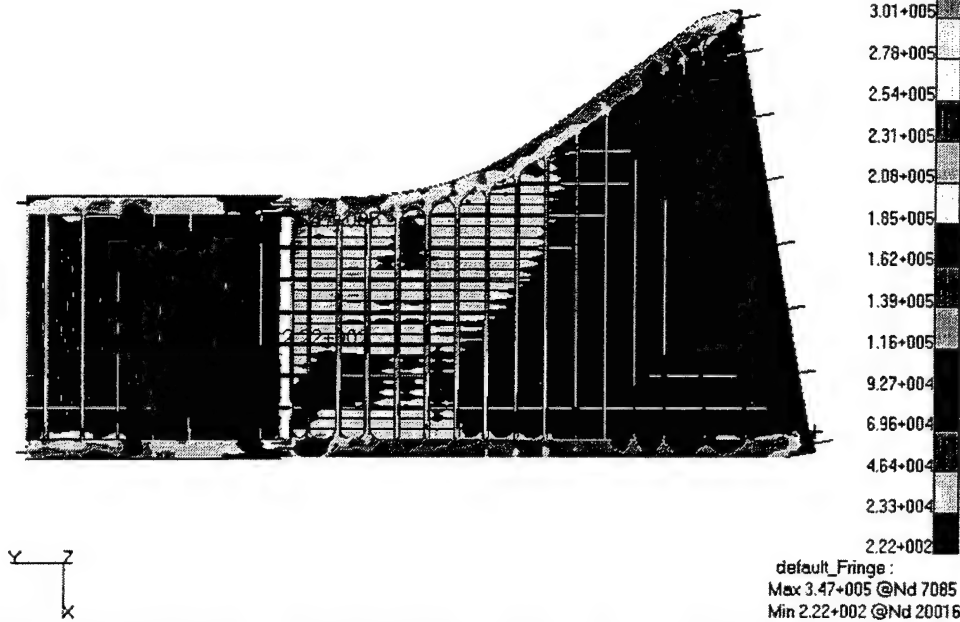


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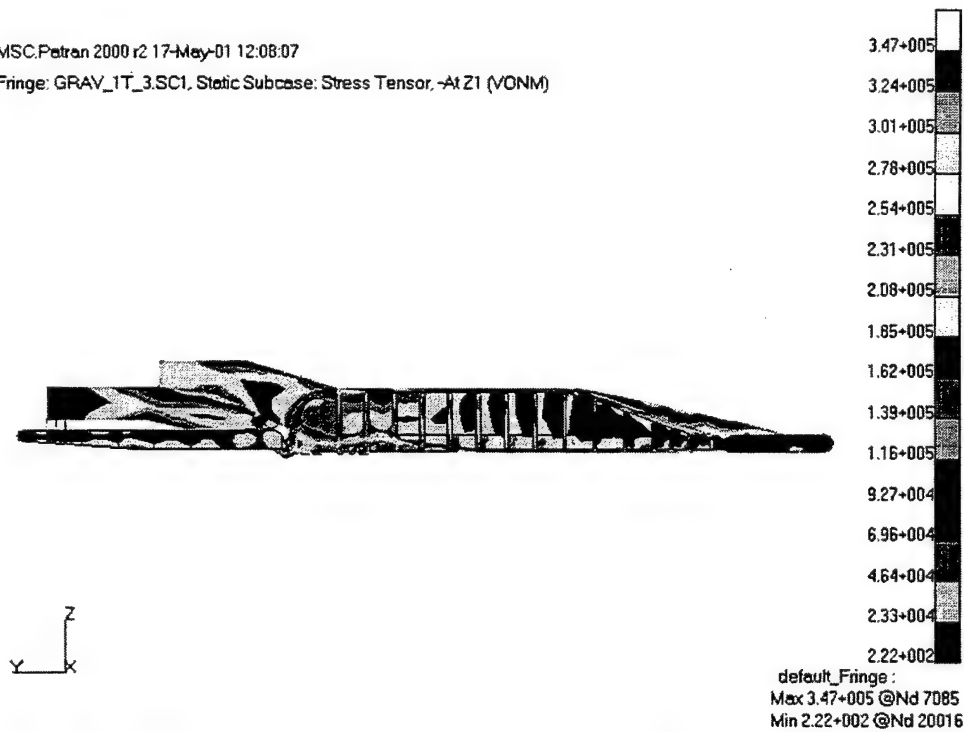
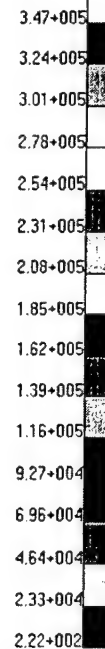


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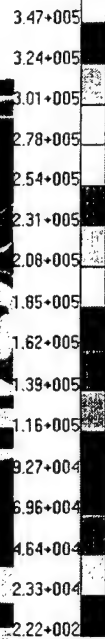
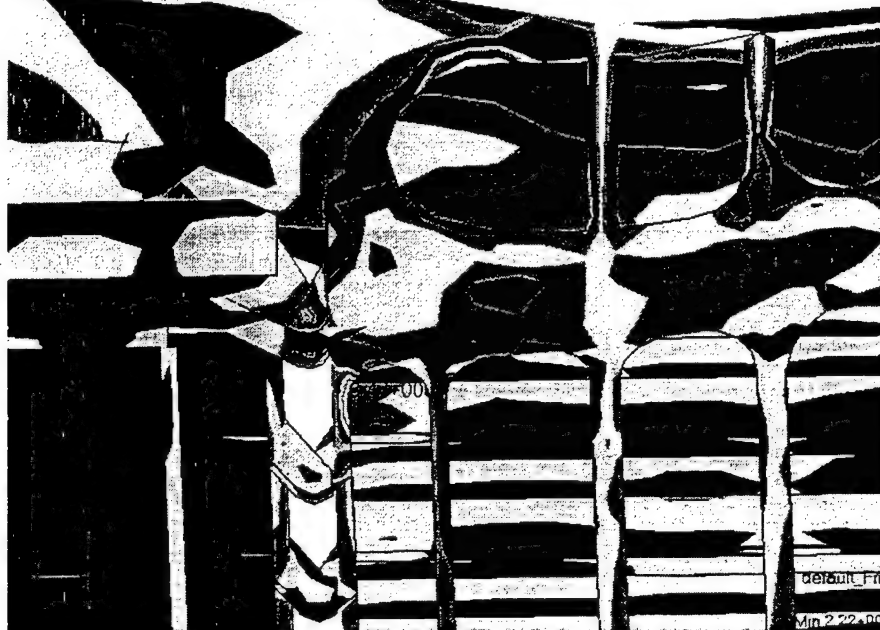
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Figure 172. Cape H (right view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 50.3 ksi
 (Inertia Loading, 3 Degree Twist, One Tank)

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Figure 173. Cape H (close-up) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 50.3 ksi
 (Inertia Loading, 3 Degree Twist, One Tank)

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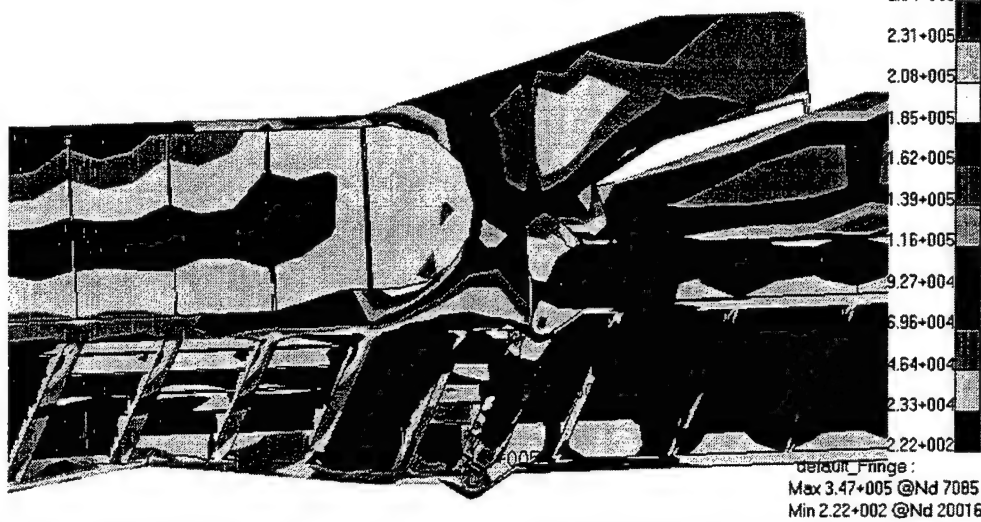


Figure 174. Cape H (close-up) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 50.3 ksi (Inertia Loading, 3 Degree Twist, One Tank)

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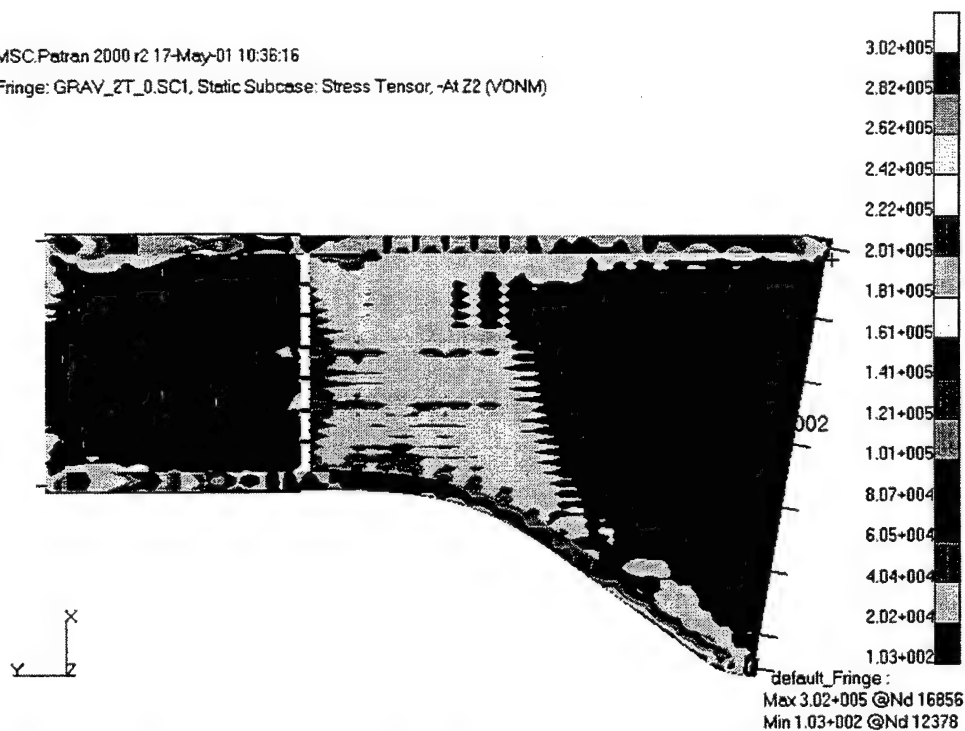


Figure 175. Cape H (top view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 43.8 ksi (Inertia Loading, No Twist, Two Tanks)

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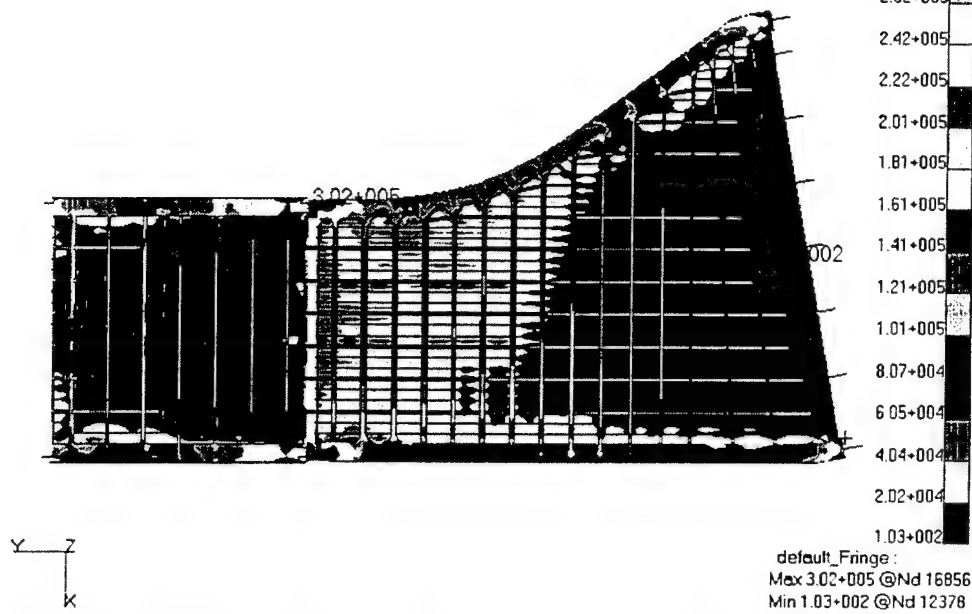


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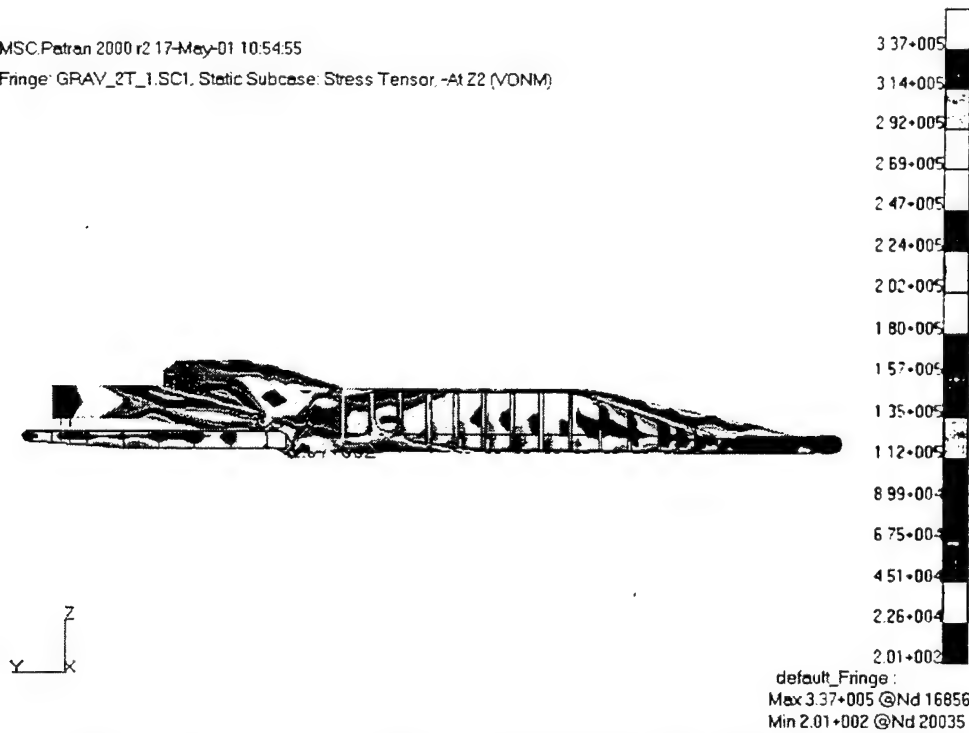
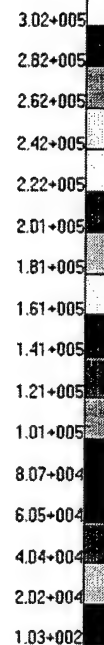


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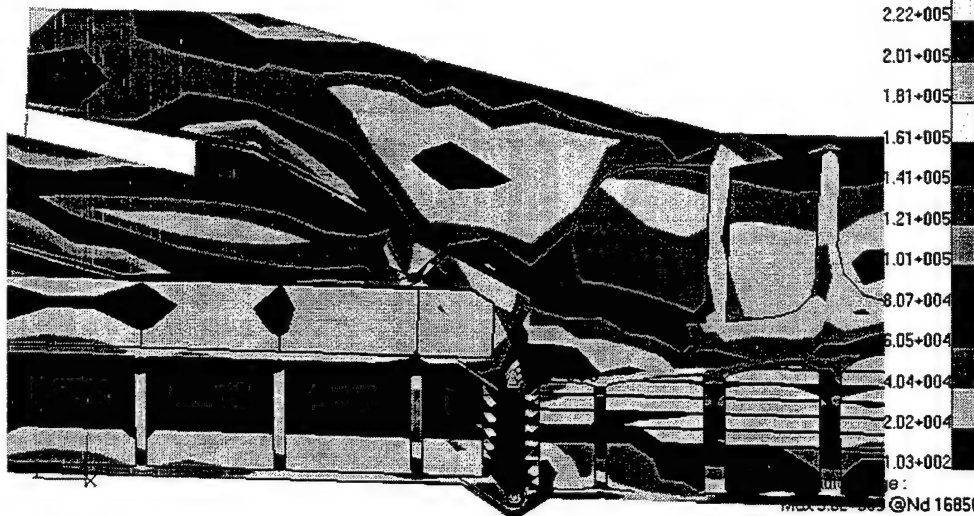
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Figure 178. Cape H (right view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 43.8 ksi
 (Inertia Loading, No Twist, Two Tanks)

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Figure 179. Cape H (close-up) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 43.8 ksi
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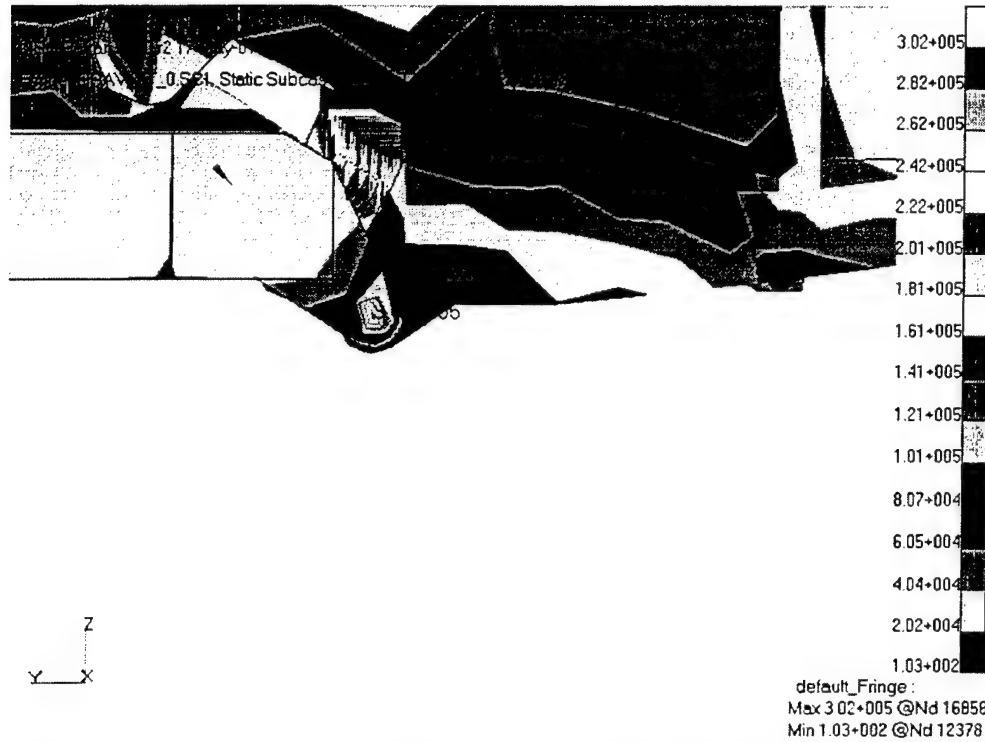


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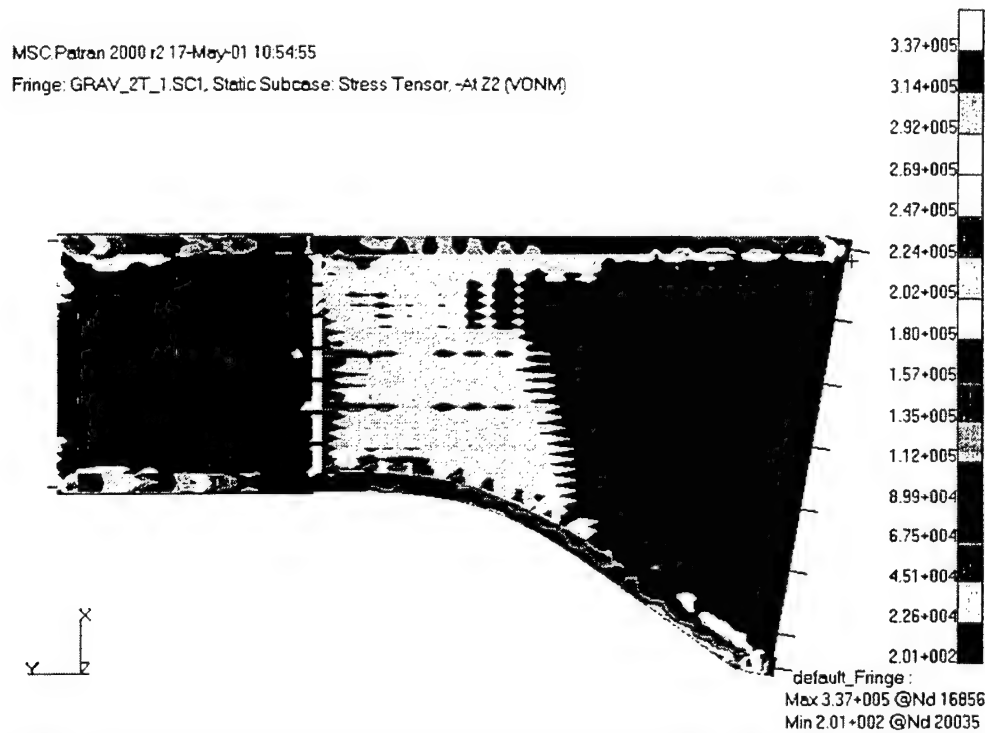


Figure 181. Cape H (top view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 48.9 ksi
(Inertia Loading, 1 Degree Twist, Two Tanks)

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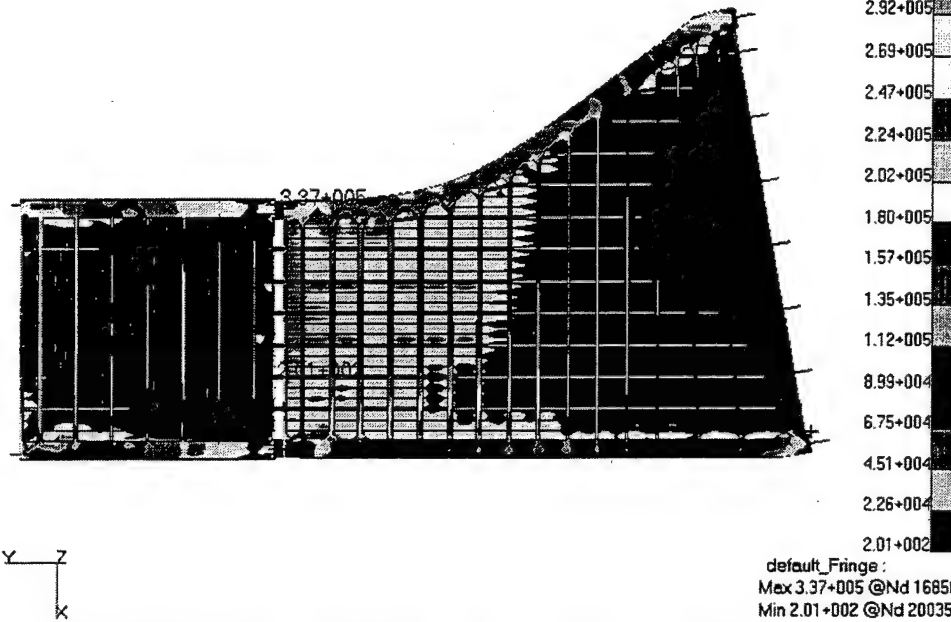


Figure 182. Cape H (bottom view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 48.9 ksi
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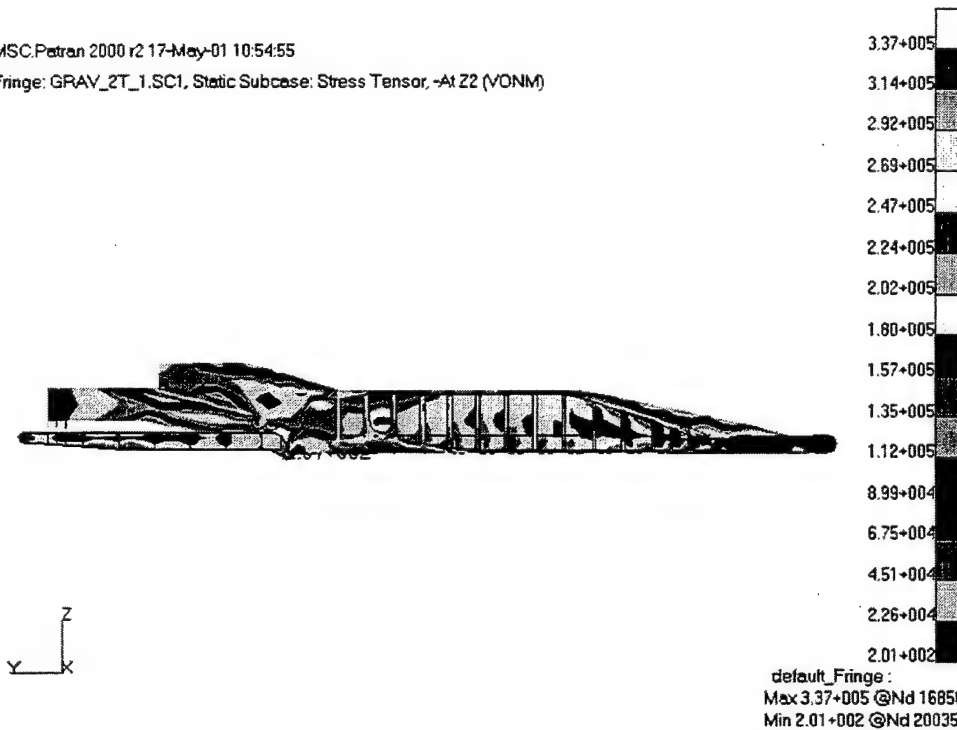
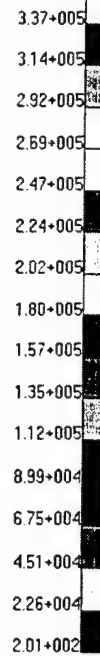


Figure 183. Cape H (left view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 48.9 ksi
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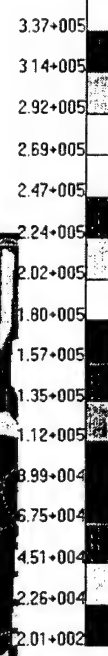
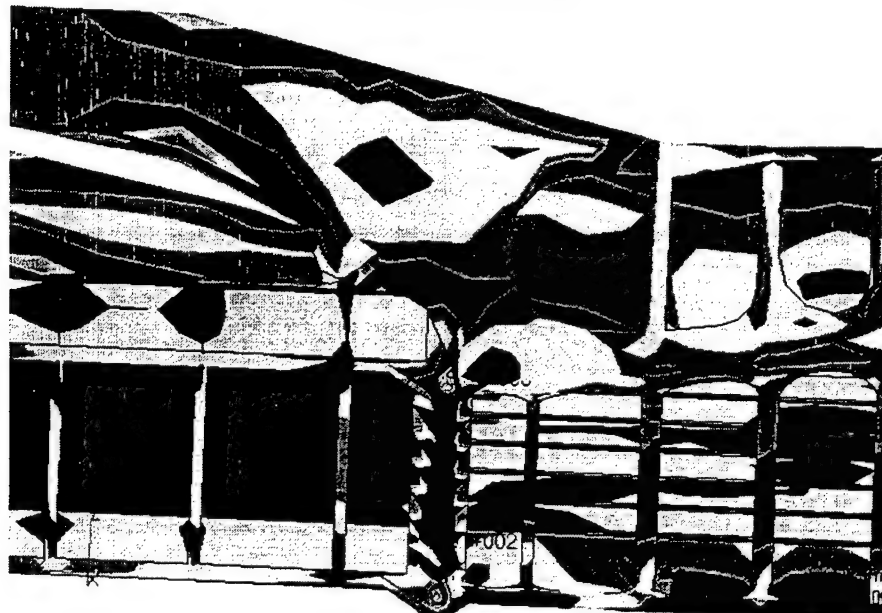


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Figure 184. Cape H (right view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 48.9 ksi
(Inertia Loading, 1 Degree Twist, Two Tanks)

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Figure 185. Cape H (close-up) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 48.9 ksi
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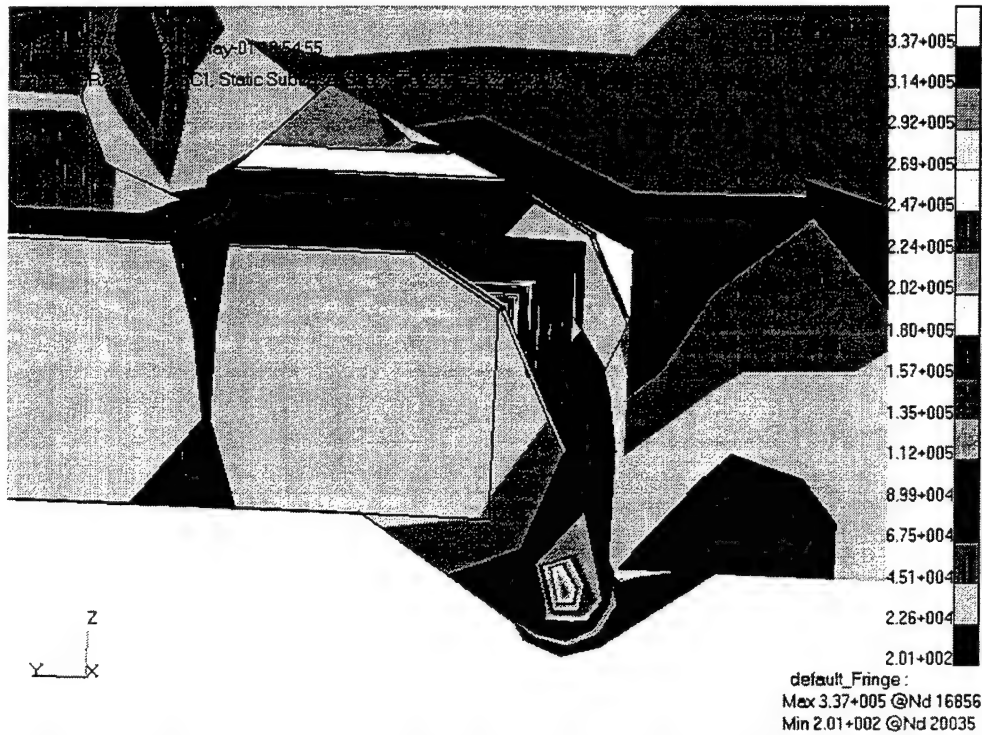


Figure 186. Cape H (close-up) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 48.9 ksi
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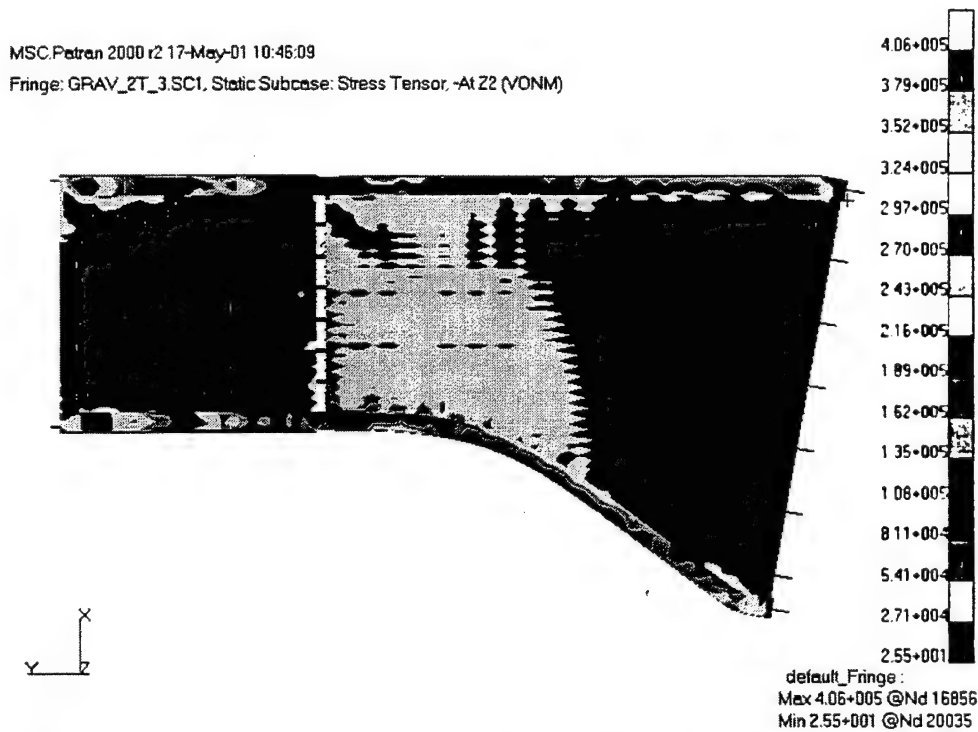


Figure 187. Cape H (top view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 58.9 ksi
(Inertia Loading, 3 Degree Twist, Two Tanks)

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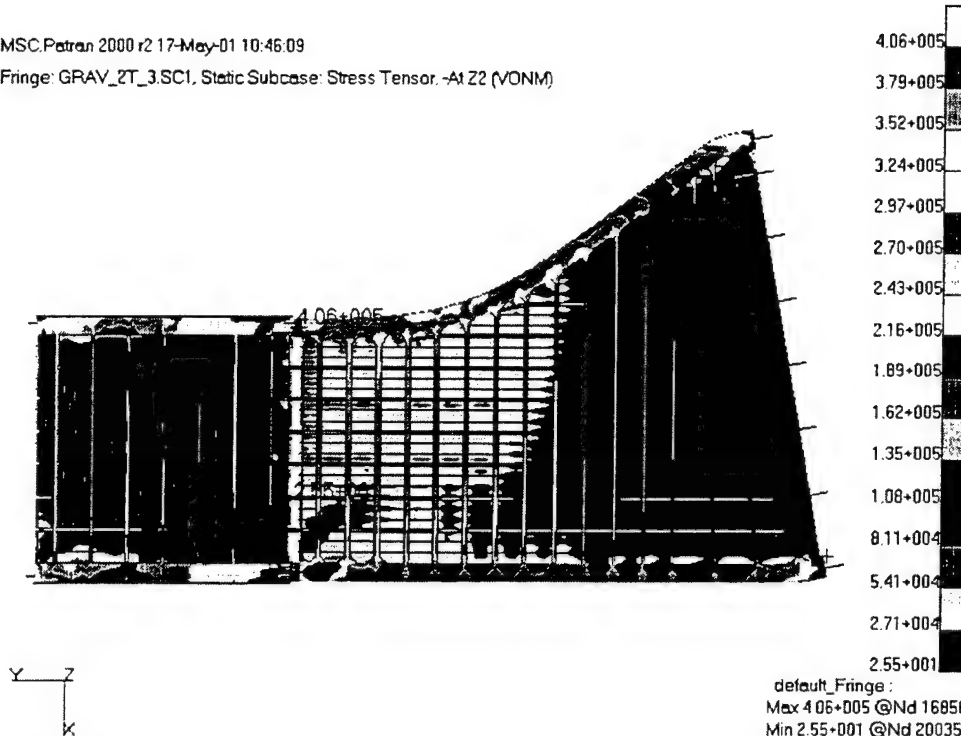


Figure 188. Cape H (bottom view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 58.9 ksi
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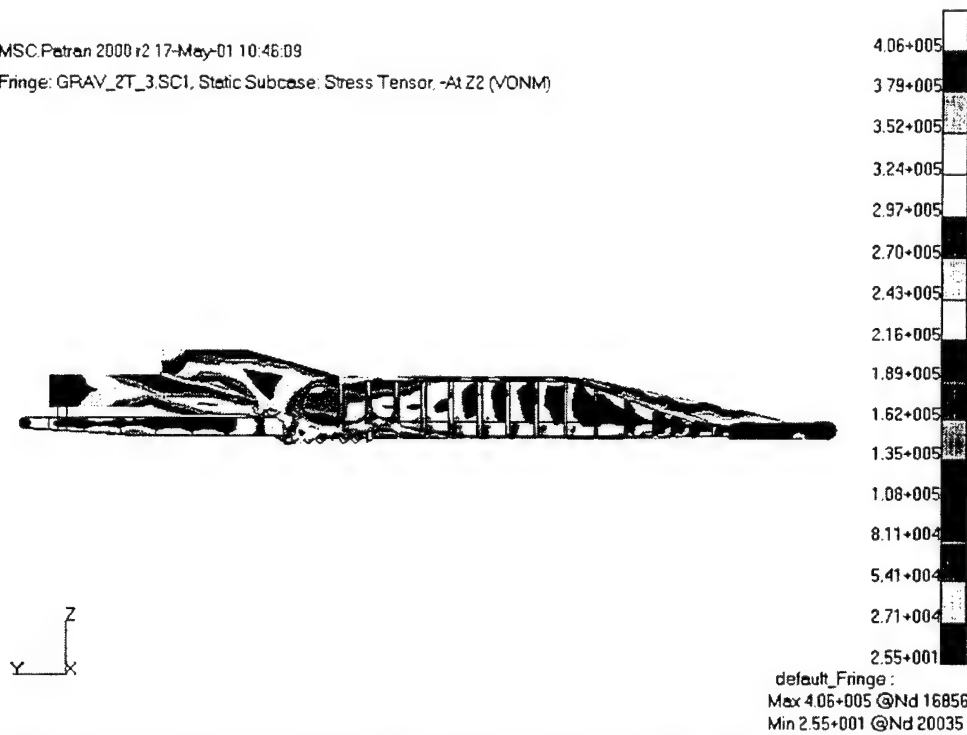


Figure 189. Cape H (left view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 58.9 ksi
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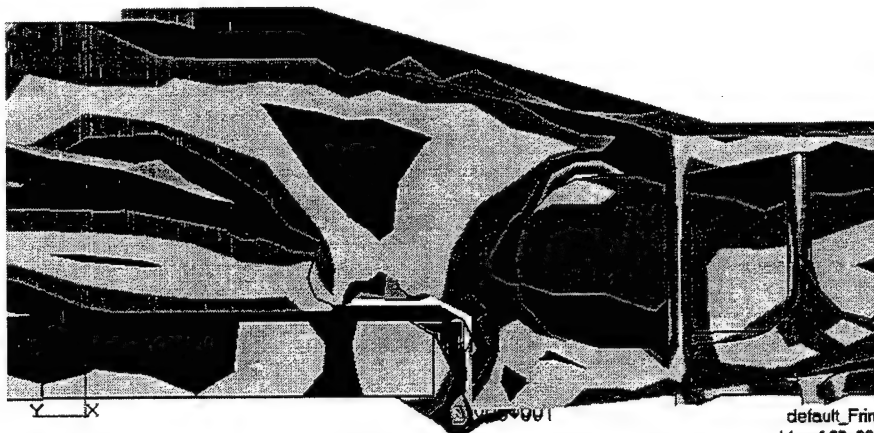


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Figure 190. Cape H (right view) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 58.9 ksi
(Inertia Loading, 3 Degree Twist, Two Tanks)

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Figure 191. Cape H (close-up) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 58.9 ksi
(Inertia Loading, 3 Degree Twist, Two Tanks)



Figure 192. Cape H (close-up) von Mises Stress Contour Plot, Max. Stress: 58.9 ksi
(Inertia Loading, 3 Degree Twist, Two Tanks)

C. EXPERIMENTAL MODAL ANALYSIS

1. Model-Scale Stern Ramp

Vibration testing was conducted on the model-scale ramp and the first four elastic modes were measured. The model-scale ramp was supported to enable the measurement of the normal modes with a free-free boundary condition. Figure 193 through 196 show the first four elastic modes.

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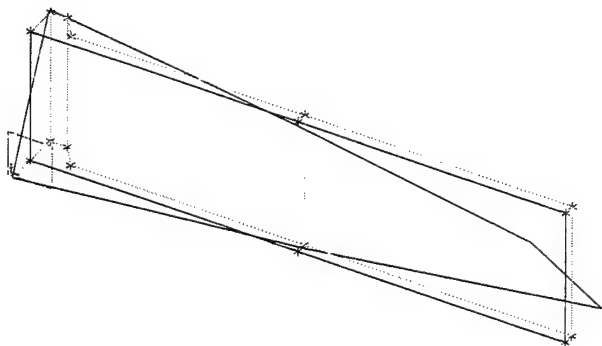


Figure 193. Model-Scale Ramp, Mode 1, Torsion

DEFORMATION: S-2-RAMP RESP 2/27 8555
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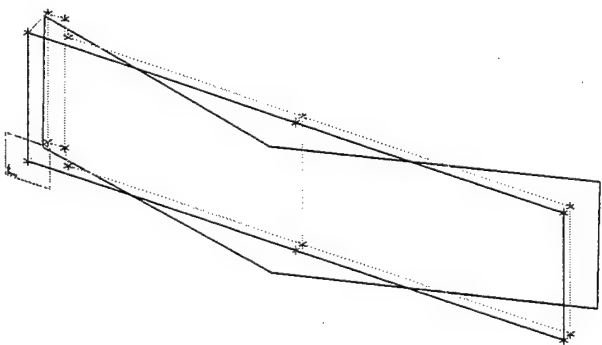


Figure 194. Model-Scale Ramp, Mode 2, Bending

DEFORMATION: 7-3 RAMP RESP 2/43.99676
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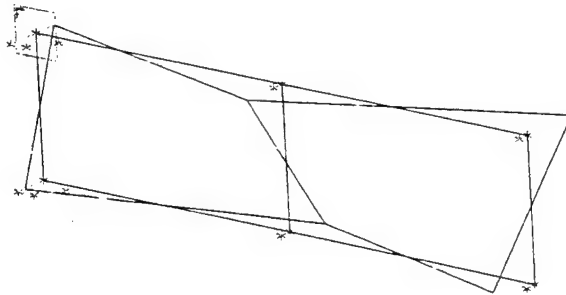


Figure 195. Model-Scale Ramp, Mode 3, Second Torsion

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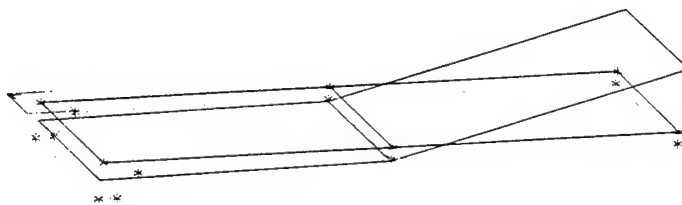


Figure 196. Model-Scale Ramp, Mode 4, Second Bending

Table 8 provides a summary comparison of the computational modal and experimental modal analysis of the model-scale stern ramp.

Mode	Finite Element		Experimental	
	Frequency (Hz)	Mode Shape	Frequency (Hz)	Mode Shape
1	12.46	1 st Torsion	10.49	1 st Torsion
2	27.23	1 st Bending	27.88	1 st Bending
3	45.13	2 nd Torsion	43.94	2 nd Torsion
4	76.38	2 nd Bending	79.80	2 nd Bending

Table 8. Comparison of Model-Scale Ramp Finite Element and Experimental Results

2. Model-Scale Stern Ramp Support

Vibration testing was conducted on the model-scale ramp support and all modes through 130 Hz were measured. The support was mounted to the deck in the position it will occupy for the constructed experimental test facility. Figure 197 shows the first elastic mode.

DEFORMATION: 27-1 SPRT. HAM. FRAME55 46744
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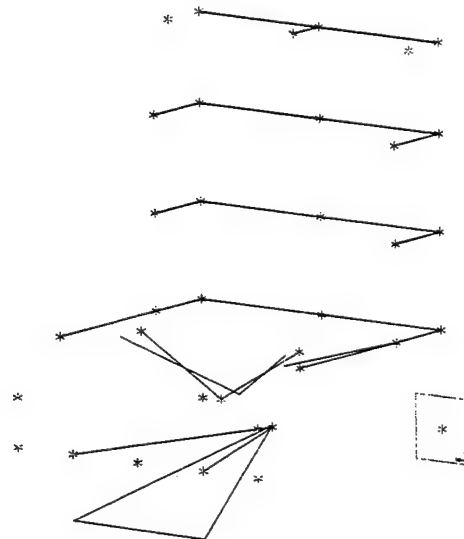


Figure 197. Model-Scale Ramp Support, Mode 1

Table 9 displays a comparison of the finite element results with the experimental results.

	Finite Element	Experimental	
Mode	Frequency (Hz)	Frequency (Hz)	Mode Shape Matches
1	51.31	55.47	Yes
2	71.44	67.02	No
3	72.109	68.73	No
4	93.04	78.34	No
5	96.97	88.63	No
6	102.99	107.65	No
7	119.53	122.20	Yes

Table 9. Comparison of Support Finite Element and Experimental Results

V. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

A. CONCLUSIONS

The primary purpose of this thesis was to determine the suitability of the three full-scale stern ramp finite element model for inclusion in a coupled hydro-structural simulation model of the combined ship-ramp-RRDF. To assist in the determination, an ANSYS model of the LMSR stern ramp was obtained and nodal and elemental solutions were computed using ANSYS to compare with MSC/NASTRAN results. Four load cases were considered and are annotated as cases A through D. Load case A has gravity only as a load and cases B through D have gravity plus one, three and eight degrees of twist respectively. Tables 10 through 12 document these comparisons for no tank, one tank, and two tank configurations. All stress values are in pounds force per inch squared (psi) and are listed as peak {nominal}. Peak stress values are computed and nominal stresses are estimated.

Load Case	ANSYS Nodal	Peak Stress Location	ANSYS Elemental	Peak Stress Location	NASTRAN	Peak Stress Location
Case A	13,866 {7,711}	stbd hinge	32,331 {14,374}	stbd hinge	22,600 {9,090}	stbd hinge
Case B	17,511 {7,793}	top edge of first cavity on stbd side (section 1)	37,246 {16,562}	port hinge	25,600 {12,000}	port hinge
Case C	38,988 {21,668}	top edge of first cavity on stbd side (section 1)	47,935 {26,640}	port hinge	39,000 {18,000}	top edge of first cavity on stbd side (section 1)
Case E	92,995 {31,009}	top edge of first cavity on stbd side (section 1)	119,914 {66,640}	inside first cavity on port side (section 1)	99,800 {40,000}	inside first cavity on port side (section 1)

Table 10. LMSR ANSYS vs. NASTRAN Solution Comparison (No Tanks)

Load Case	ANSYS Nodal	Peak Stress Location	ANSYS Elemental	Peak Stress Location	NASTRAN	Peak Stress Location
Case A	26,804 {23,828}	stbd hinge	68,081 {37,833}	stbd hinge	46,600 {15,600}	stbd hinge
Case B	29,485 {26,211}	top edge of first cavity on stbd side (section 1)	72,592 {40,334}	port hinge	49,000 {19,700}	port hinge
Case C	50,959 {28,329}	top edge of first cavity on stbd side (section 1)	83,260 {46,271}	port hinge	56,000 {26,200}	port hinge
Case E	104,962 {69,984}	top edge of first cavity on stbd side (section 1)	123,835 {82,563}	inside first cavity on port side (section 1)	108,000 {49,000}	inside first cavity on port side (section 1)

Table 11. LMSR ANSYS vs. NASTRAN Solution Comparison (One Tank)

Load Case	ANSYS Nodal	Peak Stress Location	ANSYS Elemental	Peak Stress Location	NASTRAN	Peak Stress Location
Case A	47,102 {26,183}	stbd hinge	110,389 {36,819}	stbd hinge	77,100 {25,800}	stbd hinge
Case B	45,526 {20,251}	port hinge	114,293 {50,809}	port hinge	78,900 {31,600}	port hinge
Case C	57,350 {38,250}	top edge of first cavity on stbd side (section 1)	124,981 {41,688}	port hinge	85,800 {34,400}	port hinge
Case D	111,349 {49,518}	top edge of first cavity on stbd side (section 1)	151,885 {67,521}	port hinge	111,000 {51,900}	top edge of first cavity on stbd side (section 1)

Table 12. LMSR ANSYS vs. NASTRAN Solution Comparison (Two Tanks)

As can be seen from the tables, the ANSYS nodal and elemental solutions bracket the MSC/NASTRAN results in all but case D with two tanks. Additionally, the disparity between the ANSYS nodal and elemental results indicates the LMSR model is not sufficiently refined. In particular, the hinge joints require updating. This is further

supported by the peak stress values being well above the yield for mild steel of 40,000 psi.

Tables 13 through 15 show a comparison of the linear static solutions of the three ramp designs. Again, three load cases were considered for no tank, one tank, and two tank configurations. As before, case A represents gravity only and cases B and C represent one degree and three degrees of twist. Eight degrees of twist was not used as the nominal stress estimations from the LMSR analysis predicted stresses well above yield.

Boundary Conditions and Loading	Cape T	Peak Stress Location	Cape H	Peak Stress Location	LMSR	Peak Stress Location
Case A	13,500 {9,035}	aft end of buttressing device port side	22,500 {13,500}	stbd hinge	22,600 {9,090}	stbd hinge
Case B	16,800 {8,950}	stbd side of lateral rib support (section 1)	23,700 {15,800}	stbd hinge of arm attached to section 2	25,600 {12,000}	port hinge
Case C	51,100 {20,450}	stbd side of lateral rib support (section 1)	43,900 {29,300}	bottom section 1, fwd port corner	39,000 {18,000}	top edge of first cavity on stbd side (section 1)

Table 13. Ramp Summary (No Tanks)

Boundary Conditions and Loading	Cape T	Peak Stress Location	Cape H	Peak Stress Location	LMSR	Peak Stress Location
Case A	49,900 {23,300}	lateral rib support (section 1)	31,900 {19,100}	stbd hinge of arm attached to section 2	46,600 {15,600}	stbd hinge
Case B	50,100 {23,300}	lateral rib support (section 1)	33,500 {22,300}	stbd hinge of arm attached to section 2	49,000 {19,700}	port hinge
Case C	70,300 {32,800}	port side of lateral rib support (section 1)	50,300 {30,200}	bottom section 1, fwd port corner	56,000 {26,200}	port hinge

Table 14. Ramp Summary (One Tanks)

Boundary Conditions and Loading	Cape T	Peak Stress Location	Cape H	Peak Stress Location	LMSR	Peak Stress Location
Case A	51,600 {24,100}	lateral rib support (section 1)	43,800 {23,400}	stbd hinge	77,100 {25,800}	stbd hinge
Case B	51,600 {24,100}	lateral rib support (section 1)	48,900 {26,100}	port hinge	78,900 {31,600}	port hinge
Case C	66,600 {31,000}	port side of lateral rib support (section 1)	51,300 {27,400}	port hinge	85,800 {34,400}	port hinge

Table 15. Ramp Summary (Two Tanks)

The high peak stresses predicted still indicate that all three ramp models are not sufficiently refined for accurate determination of stress levels; however, each of the designs may be used to ascertain the performance of passive isolation.

B. RECOMMENDATIONS

Because the three full-scale stern ramp finite element models can each be used in the simulation model, the two ramps most likely to be used for RORO operations at sea should be used in the simulation model. The Cape H stern ramp is much larger and

poses separate problems due to its size alone. The LMSR stern ramp was designed for sea state three capability and at this time seems to be the most likely candidate for at sea RORO application.

If the Cape H ramp design is to be used for at sea RORO operations, the Cape H finite element model should be modified to allow for normal modes analysis to determine if a pseudostatic response assumption is valid.

All three ramp models should be refined sufficiently to allow for more accurate stress level predictions. For the LMSR, Cape H, and Cape T designs, these refinements should be in the areas of high peak stress concentration.

Both finite element models for the model-scale stern ramp and support require additional updating. Specifically, both models should be modified to include parameters for accurate modeling of the weld joints.

Perform testing of materials used in the construction of both the model-scale stern ramp and support. This will ensure that the correct values for material modulus and density are included in the model rather than handbook values.

For the model-scale ramp support, update the finite element model to include the spring effects of the six fasteners used to mount the support to the deck. This will provide another parameter for updating the model.

Additional vibration analysis of the model-scale ramp and support must be conducted as the experimental test facility is completed.

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APPENDIX

A. COMPUTATIONAL LINEAR STATIC ANALYSIS

Static analyses require the solution of the following equation,

$$[K]\{u\} = \{p\} \quad (1)$$

where $[K]$ is an $(n \times n)$ stiffness matrix, $p(t)$ is an $(n \times 1)$ force vector, and $u(t)$ is an $(n \times 1)$ vector of unknown displacement coordinates. Solution to equation (1) for large systems can be very difficult and computationally expensive as it involves the inversion of the stiffness matrix, $[K]$. The left and right hand sides of equation (1) are premultiplied by $[K]^{-1}$ yielding [Ref. 1],

$$\{u\} = [K]^{-1} \{p\} \quad (2)$$

Solution of equation (2) gives the physical displacements of the finite element model, $\{u\}$. MSC/NASTRAN conducts linear static analyses by the *displacement method*. [Ref. 2]

Each MSC/NASTRAN input file consists of several sections defining the type of analysis to be performed, boundary conditions, loads, material properties, element types, and grid point connectivity. MSC/NASTRAN will organize the input file for efficient processing and assemble the stiffness and mass matrices, $[K]$ and $[M]$. The mass matrix in a static analysis is used to apply inertial or gravity loads to the structure. Specified constraints are applied to the stiffness matrix and appropriate rows and columns are eliminated through matrix partitioning. The load vector, $\{p\}$, is generated from parameters such as pressure loads on surfaces, enforced displacements, and inertia loads. The load vector is reduced to final form by application of restraints and elimination of the restrained components. The stiffness matrix, $[K]$ is decomposed into

upper and lower triangular factors and solution for the independent displacements in $\{u\}$ is accomplished for the reduced load vector $\{p\}$ by means of forward and backward passes. Equations of constraint are applied to determine dependent grid point displacements. Knowledge of the displacement of the corners of an element allows the elemental strains and stresses to be determined based on the shape functions of the particular element. MSC/NASTRAN uses bilinear extrapolation to determine elemental stresses at the centroid and corners of each CQUAD4 element [Ref. 3]. A bilinear function is a special quadratic function that is linear in y for each x , and linear in x for each y .

B. COMPUTATIONAL MODAL ANALYSIS

The equations of motion for an n degree of freedom (DOF) undamped structure can be represented by the following matrix equation,

$$[M]\{\ddot{u}\} + [K]\{u\} = \{p(t)\}, \quad (3)$$

where $[M]$ and $[K]$ are $(n \times n)$ mass and stiffness matrices, $p(t)$ is an $(n \times 1)$ force vector, and $u(t)$ is an $(n \times 1)$ vector of unknown displacement coordinates. The natural frequencies of the system of equations represented by the homogeneous form of equation (3) can be determined by assuming the displacement response is harmonic,

$$\{u\} = \{U\}e^{i\omega t} \quad (4)$$

Equation (4) can be substituted into equation (3) leading to an n th order eigenvalue problem [Ref. 1],

$$([K] - \omega^2 [M])\{U\} = \{0\} \quad (5)$$

Equation (5) may also equivalently be written to form the structural eigenproblem [Ref. 4],

$$[K] \phi_j = \lambda_j [M] \phi_j, \quad j = 1, \dots, n \quad (6)$$

In equation (6) it is apparent that λ_j corresponds to ω_j^2 (the j th eigenvalue) and ϕ_j corresponds to U_j (the j th eigenvector). Damping may be included and the eigenvectors are unchanged provided damping is included in proportional form. A common method to solve equation (6) involves computing $[L]$, the Cholesky factor of $[K]$, provided $[K]$ is positive definite. Substituting, $\mu_j = 1/\lambda_j$ in equation (6) yields,

$$[M] \phi_j = \mu_j [K] \phi_j \quad (7)$$

Finally, including the Cholesky factorization of $[K]$ leads to,

$$[L]^{-1} [M] [L]^T \psi_j = \mu_j \psi_j \quad (8)$$

The eigenvectors, ϕ_j , must be computed by using the transformation $\phi_j = [L]^{-T} \psi_j$. If the model has rigid body modes, $[K]$ is positive semidefinite and Cholesky decomposition is not possible. To efficiently solve such problems, MSC/NASTRAN employs a block Lanczos algorithm with shift points (σ) and equation (6) is adjusted as follows [Ref. 5],

$$[K - \sigma M] \phi_j = (\lambda_j - \sigma)[M] \phi_j, \quad j = 1, \dots, n \quad (9)$$

The values for the shift points are chosen by the software dependent on the user requested range of natural frequency interest and the nature of the finite element model.

C. EXPERIMENTAL MODAL ANALYSIS

Experimental modal analysis or vibration testing requires four components: a means to mount or support the structure to be tested; an excitation source; transducers to measure the vibration response and excitation input; and a method to record and analyze the data.

For a free-free vibration test, the structure should be supported at the nodal points of the first bending mode. The material used to support the structure should be of sufficient flexibility to minimize coupling of rigid body modes with elastic modes of the structure. If the response of an installed structure is desired, then vibration testing may be conducted with the structure restrained as if installed.

Two methods are commonly used to excite a structure. A shaker can be attached to the structure with a force input proportional to a specified input parameter, such as voltage, or an impact hammer with an attached force transducer may be used. The impact hammer imparts an approximate impulse to the structure with the intention of exciting all modes in the bandwidth of interest simultaneously and equally. Because the impact produced by the hammer in practice does not result in a perfect impulse, there exists a cut-off frequency above which modes are excited with very little energy. The cut-off frequency can be altered by using different mass hammers or changing the elasticity of the hammer tip. It is important that the frequency range of interest fall below the cut-off frequency.

Transducers are used to measure the vibration response of the excited structure and the excitation force. Transducers contain a piezoelectric material that generates an electric charge when undergoing strain. The electric charge can be converted to a

measurable voltage that is proportional to the applied strain. The applied strain is proportional to the excitation force or acceleration of the structure. Force transducers apply the excitation force directly to the piezoelectric material. Accelerometers differ in that a mass is attached to the structure through the piezoelectric material with the piezoelectric material acting as a stiff spring. The spring-mass system of the accelerometer should vibrate at frequencies well above the frequency range of interest.

Analyses of vibration tests are accomplished using a digital computer. The analog measured vibrations are converted to a digital signal by an analog to digital converter. Several sample intervals are averaged to reduce the effect of noise in the vibration measurements. The digital force and response functions are time domain signals. Fast Fourier transforms (FFT) of the force and response signals are performed by computer software to generate frequency domain functions. This leads to the frequency response function (FRF) as defined by the ratio of the response FFT to the force FFT. The FRFs can be viewed and used to determine the natural frequencies, mode shapes, and damping ratios of the structure tested. [Ref. 6]

D. MSC/NASTRAN INPUT FILES

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PLOAD4	4	3677	-133069.-133069.-133069.-133069.	THRU	3679
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PLOAD4	4	3787	133069. 133069. 133069. 133069.	THRU	3789

INCLUDE 'E:\Capet\CT_STATIC\CT_STATIC_BULK.dat'

ENDDATA 1d86bebd


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INIT MASTER(S)
ASSIGN OUTPUT2 = 'CH_OT_1_new.op2', UNIT = 12
SOL 101
TIME 600
CEND
SEALL = ALL
SUPER = ALL
TITLE = MSC.Nastran job created on 09-May-01 at 14:36:17
ECHO = NONE
MAXLINES = 999999999
SUBCASE 1
  SUBTITLE=GRAV_OT_1
  SPC = 1
  LOAD = 2
  DISPLACEMENT (SORT1, REAL)=ALL
  SPCFORCES (SORT1, REAL)=ALL
  STRESS (SORT1, REAL, VONMISES, BILIN)=ALL
BEGIN BULK
PARAM      POST      -1
PARAM, NOCOMPS, -1
PARAM      PRTMAXIM YES
PARAM      AUTOSPC   YES
PARAM      GRDPNT    0
PARAM      K6ROT     5.0
SPCD       2         16942   3         -236.73
SPC1       1         123     13757
SPC1       1         3       16942
SPC1       1         3       19491
SPC1       1         123     19494
SPC1       1         123     19503
SPC1       1         123     19513
SPC1       1         123     19519
SPC1       1         123     19531
SPC1       1         123     19540
SPC1       1         123     20463
GRAV       2         0       9807.    0.    0.    -1.
PELAS      19        1.7+10
CELAS1     20953     19      15487   3      15693   3
CELAS1     20954     19      15488   3      15692   3
CELAS1     20955     19      19552   3      15694   3
CELAS1     20956     19      14619   3      14695   3
CELAS1     20957     19      14623   3      14700   3
CELAS1     20958     19      14622   3      14699   3
CELAS1     20959     19      14621   3      14698   3
CELAS1     20964     19      15631   3      204      3
CELAS1     20965     19      14657   3      16982   3
CELAS1     22003     19      20215   3      20144   3
CELAS1     22004     19      20218   3      20147   3
CELAS1     22175     19      20263   3      20357   3
CELAS1     22176     19      20286   3      20328   3
INCLUDE 'E:\CapeH\CH_BULK_DATA\CH_NEW_BULK.DAT'
ENDDATA 18e5ef82

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INIT MASTER(S)
ASSIGN OUTPUT2 = 'CH_1T_1_new.op2', UNIT = 12
SOL 101
TIME 600
CEND
SEALL = ALL
SUPER = ALL
TITLE = MSC.Nastran job created on 09-May-01 at 14:36:17
ECHO = NONE
MAXLINES = 999999999
SUBCASE 1
  SUBTITLE=GRAV_1T_1
  SPC = 1
  LOAD = 2
  DISPLACEMENT(SORT1,REAL)=ALL
  SPCFORCES(SORT1,REAL)=ALL
  STRESS(SORT1,REAL,VONMISES,BILIN)=ALL
BEGIN BULK
PARAM      POST      -1
PARAM,NOCOMPS,-1
PARAM      PRTMAXIM YES
PARAM      AUTOSPC   YES
PARAM      GRDPNT    0
PARAM      K6ROT     5.0
LOAD       2         1.         1.         3         1.         4
SPCD       2         16942      3         -236.73
SPC1       1         123        13757
SPC1       1         3          16942
SPC1       1         3          19491
SPC1       1         123        19494
SPC1       1         123        19503
SPC1       1         123        19513
SPC1       1         123        19519
SPC1       1         123        19531
SPC1       1         123        19540
SPC1       1         123        20463
GRAV       3         0          9807.      0.         0.         -1.
PLOAD4     4         11962      137.       137.       137.       137.      THRU      11973
PLOAD4     4         12028      137.       137.       137.       137.      THRU      12033
PLOAD4     4         12665      137.       137.       137.       137.      THRU      12670
PLOAD4     4         12689      137.       137.       137.       137.      THRU      12694
PLOAD4     4         12759      137.       137.       137.       137.      THRU      12764
PELAS      19        1.7+10
CELAS1     20953      19        15487      3          15693      3
CELAS1     20954      19        15488      3          15692      3
CELAS1     20955      19        19552      3          15694      3
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CELAS1     22175      19        20263      3          20357      3
CELAS1     22176      19        20286      3          20328      3

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INCLUDE 'E:\CapeH\CH_BULK_DATA\CH_NEW_BULK.DAT'  
ENDDATA 18e5ef82
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INIT MASTER(S)
ASSIGN OUTPUT2 = 'CH_2T_1_new.op2', UNIT = 12
SOL 101
TIME 600
CEND
SEALL = ALL
SUPER = ALL
TITLE = MSC.Nastran job created on 09-May-01 at 14:36:17
ECHO = NONE
MAXLINES = 999999999
SUBCASE 1
  SUBTITLE=GRAV_2T_1
  SPC = 1
  LOAD = 2
  DISPLACEMENT (SORT1,REAL)=ALL
  SPCFORCES (SORT1,REAL)=ALL
  STRESS (SORT1,REAL,VONMISES,BILIN)=ALL
BEGIN BULK
PARAM      POST      -1
PARAM,NOCOMPS,-1
PARAM      PRTMAXIM YES
PARAM      AUTOSPC   YES
PARAM      GRDPNT    0
PARAM      K6ROT     5.0
LOAD       2         1.         1.         3         1.         4
SPCD       2         16942      3         -236.73
SPC1       1         123        13757
SPC1       1         3          16942
SPC1       1         3          19491
SPC1       1         123        19494
SPC1       1         123        19503
SPC1       1         123        19513
SPC1       1         123        19519
SPC1       1         123        19531
SPC1       1         123        19540
SPC1       1         123        20463
GRAV       3         0          9807.    0.         0.         -1.
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PELAS      19        1.7+10
CELAS1     20953     19         15487      3         15693      3
CELAS1     20954     19         15488      3         15692      3
CELAS1     20955     19         19552      3         15694      3
CELAS1     20956     19         14619      3         14695      3
CELAS1     20957     19         14623      3         14700      3
CELAS1     20958     19         14622      3         14699      3
CELAS1     20959     19         14621      3         14698      3

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CELAS1	20964	19	15631	3	204	3
CELAS1	20965	19	14657	3	16982	3
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CELAS1	22004	19	20218	3	20147	3
CELAS1	22175	19	20263	3	20357	3
CELAS1	22176	19	20286	3	20328	3

INCLUDE 'E:\CapeH\CH_BULK_DATA\CH_NEW_BULK.DAT'
 ENDDATA 18e5ef82

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